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The Baptist Record

"THY KINGDOM COME"

OLD SERIES—VOLUME 64.

MISS ETHEL McKEITHEN IS NARCOTIC EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR FOR CHURCHES



subject.

Miss McKeithen is a graduate of Meridian Junior College and Delta State Teachers College. She recently completed a three months' intensive course in narcotic education at Evanston, Illinois. She has been an outstanding leader in young people's work in schools and in churches. Her experience as a successful classroom teacher and as a leader in religious activities fits her for the important field of work for which she was chosen by the state committee on narcotic education.

Since April 5, Miss McKeithen has met with a number of state conventions, local and district church groups. At these meetings she explained the plan and purposes of the state program which is being initiated.

This is a worthy program and Baptists of Mississippi will do their part to insure its effectiveness. No doubt you are familiar with the fact that the Baptist State Convention in November by a unanimous vote pledged its cooperation both in financing this program and in utilizing to the best advantage the time of the narcotic education instructor. Will you see that your church meets its responsibilities in this connection?

For information with reference to securing the services of Miss McKeithen, you may write directly to her at: 1002 Arlington Street, Jackson, Miss.

For information regarding the plan of the Baptist churches for the continuation of the program, write to Baptist headquarters.

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TWELVE MISSISSIPPI GIRLS ARE GRADUATED FROM SOUTHERN BAPTIST HOSPITAL

There are 41 members of the graduating class in the School of Nursing of the Southern Baptist Hospital, New Orleans, this year. Commencement exercises were held May 5th, in St. Charles Avenue Baptist Church. The following from Mississippi were members of the class: Misses Mary Blanche Boone, Bond; Camille Burris, Smithdale; Werlein Cole, McComb; Nelma Cook, McComb; Jessie Mae Curry, Woodville; Sara Frances Ford, Hazlehurst; Evelyn eHdrick, Hattiesburg; Barbara Noble, Utica; Nell Redmon, Magnolia; Celeste Smith, Laurel; Joyce Van Osdol, Pascagoula; Dorris Young, Crystal Springs; and twenty-nine other young women representing nine other states.

Jackson, Miss., May 14, 1942.

NEW SERIES—VOLUME 44.—NO. 17.

THE REMARKABLE CONVERSION OF CHIANG KAI-SHEK

The Story of the Conversion of One Among the Most Remarkable Men of the Day Told in Christian Victory Magazine

Pastor Z. T. Kuang

"One night in 1928 I received an urgent telegram from Madame Chiang asking me to come to Nanking immediately. I arrived there early the next morning. The madame wanted me to talk salvation to the generalissimo, but he was busy with state affairs. However, at about four o'clock Madame Chiang suggested that we should go out for a motor ride.

"While riding around Nanking Madame Chiang strongly urged her husband to accept the Christian faith by formal baptism, clinging to her argument by saying, 'Pastor Kuang, our good friend, is going to America soon and will not be back for some months.' The generalissimo refused to be pressed into the Christian church. He said, 'I have just finished reading the New Testament through for the second time, and now I am just beginning to read the Old Testament. I want to learn more about this Christian religion before I join the Christian church.' There were some arguments for a moment, then I finally took the side of the generalissimo, saying, 'The generalissimo is right; he should know more of the truth. I shall be gone only a few months, and if he is ready upon my return, I shall be happy to baptize him then.' So I took my train back to Shanghai, and thence sailed to America.

"In the meantime, while I was in America, a civil war broke out in China between a war lord and the Central Government represented by Chiang. The generalissimo was trapped near Kai-feng by his enemies, surrounded, with practically all ways of escape cut off. His headquarters were on a railroad siding. In this predicament he went to a Christian church nearby and prayed earnestly for God's help, promising that he would accept Christ as his Lord if he were delivered. The Lord did answer his prayer, sending a heavy snowstorm which held up the enemy's advance. Within the next two days his own reinforcements arrived by rail. Thus God not only saved his life but actually turned his apparent defeat into victory. Then it was that he made up his mind to accept Christ as his Lord.

"Upon my return from the United States I was asked to baptize this leader of China into the membership of the Christian church.

"In my opinion his mother-in-law, Madame Soong, has more than anyone else influenced the development of his Christian life because it is her advice that he has consistently followed, of beginning each day with Bible reading and prayer. His faithful observance of this morning devotion has been the primary cause of his growth in Christian knowledge and faith, which has changed him from a self-seeking Chinese politician into a Christian world statesman. Upon his leadership at this critical hour hangs the destiny of one-fourth of the human race of the world."

In December, 1936, when he was kidnapped by his political enemies near Sian he asked from his captors only one thing, a copy of the Bible. To the Methodist Conference which was held the following year he sent the stirring message witnessing the power of Jesus Christ in his life, telling how much the Lord had meant to him during those thirteen days of captivity. The following is part of that message:

"I have been a Christian for nearly ten years," said Chiang, "and during that time I have been a constant reader of the Bible. Never before had this sacred book been so interesting to me as during my two-week captivity in Sian. This unfortunate affair took place all of a sudden and I found myself

FENTRESS BAPTIST CHURCH OBSERVES FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY

On Sunday, May 3, Fentress Baptist Church observed a double anniversary—of the church and of the birth of the pastor, Rev. J. W. Kitchens.

Large congregations were present at all services of the day. The speaker of the occasion was Rev. D. A. McCall, executive secretary of the Baptist Convention Board. Pastor Kitchens also spoke.

The Fentress Baptist Church was organized in the year 1892, with six charter members: Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Worrell and daughter, Miss Phenie Worrell, Mr. and Mrs. Bob S. Weeks and Charles W. Weeks.

The following is a list of pastors: J. T. Sargent, J. T. Pearson, David Burney, E. L. Taylor, R. A. Eddleman, J. B. Perry, N. E. Adams, Olon Neal, H. M. Whitten, H. G. West, D. L. Hill, J. S. Deal, J. W. Kitchens. The present membership is 88.

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WHY SOME ARTICLES ARE NOT PUBLISHED

Every few days we receive a scorching letter from some person who has sent in an article that reaches us Tuesday morning or Wednesday morning with a notation saying, "Please publish in this week's Record." The writer complains because the article does not appear as per their very definite instructions. However, hot or scorching letters cannot get an article in The Baptist Record after it has already been printed.

Whenever possible, articles for The Baptist Record should reach us Friday or Saturday. We do reserve some space for late news notes which cannot be written up before Monday, but this space is limited, and therefore, articles reaching us on Monday and Tuesday, of any length, must wait until the next week. Sometimes an article reaching us on Tuesday morning is of such immediate value that we can leave out an article already set up in type, but this is the exception and not the rule. Practically every week material reaches us for publication, but too late for that week's issue. Often this material is out of date if used in the next issue, hence it does not get published. We are always glad to receive news articles of value to our readers, but we want it while it is news, and in time for publication the week received. One of the coldest things in the world is last week's news in next week's paper.

Some articles that come to us are of a nature that they will be interesting weeks later as well as now. That will explain why some articles are not published immediately upon receipt. Please help us serve our readers by sending in all the news that is suitable, and in time for the current issue.

self placed under detention without having a single earthly belonging. From my captors I asked but one thing—a copy of the Bible. In my solitude I had ample opportunity for reading and meditation. The greatness and the love of Christ burst upon me with new inspiration, increasing my strength to struggle against evil, to overcome temptation and to uphold righteousness."—Alabama Baptist.

GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH, Circulation Manager

Our Text: I Timothy 4:13a and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

State Evangelist E. D. Estes was at Nettleton in a revival meeting a few days ago. In addition to his work he secured twenty-four subscriptions for The Baptist Record. It is still true that, "ask the people and they'll subscribe." A hint to the wise is sufficient.

Pearlhaven Baptist Church Becomes EVERY FAMILY PEARLHAVEN PASTOR



Another progressive church has joined the growing list of EVERY FAMILY churches. One of the latest is Pearlhaven at Brookhaven. Rev. C. O. Lindsey is the hard working pastor, and below we print some items about this church as given us by the church reporter:

REV. C. O. LINDSEY

The Pearlhaven Baptist Church

Our church is proud to announce its accomplishments during the past four months. We have added four new Sunday school rooms, painted the church inside and out, painted the roof, sanded and varnished the floor and put deck enamel on the pews. We have just purchased the Broadman Hymnal.

The people of Pearlhaven have responded well and cooperated in building and remodeling our church.

We have had a hundred additions to the church within the past year.

We are looking forward to the Daily Vacation Bible School which will begin the twenty-fifth of May. Immediately following our Bible school will be our revival with Rev. D. Wade Smith as our visiting pastor. Our meeting will run for two weeks.

We give God all the glory and praise for the many things that have been done.

And we have adopted the EVERY FAMILY Plan.

Columbia

Though not as largely attended as some conferences, there was plenty of interest at the Columbia pastors' and deacons' conference. Brother McCall had some thrilling figures to give concerning the progress of Mississippi Baptist work. We found the pastors and deacons interested in The Baptist Record, and anxious to help in every way that they can. Dr. F. K. Horton had made excellent arrangements for the lunch, and the brethren furnished the fellowship.

Marion county Baptist Record readers are now listed as follows: Bunker Hill 10, Columbia 11, North Columbia 16, East Columbia 1, Kokomo 25, Greenville 28, Improve 7.

Port Gibson

Due to the fact that Rev. L. R. Polk had recently gone to Madison, Ga., as pastor, we had our first opportunity to preach to the saints at Port Gibson. The deacons are apparently seeking the right man as pastor, before making a recommendation to the church. We also had the pleasure of being a guest in the home of Brother W. H. Everett.

Claiborne county now has Baptist Record readers

as follows: Hermanville 2, Port Gibson 36, Port Gibson misc. 1, Unity 7, Russum 1.

Calhoun City

The pastors' conference and dinner at Calhoun City was merged with the regular Calhoun City pastors' conference. This enabled Secretary McCall and the editor to enjoy a part of their Bible study program. Pastor Siler had made ample preparations and the good ladies served a sumptuous dinner. We heard good reports of the work in that section, and the pastors seem enthusiastic.

Baptist Record subscribers in Calhoun county are now listed as follows: Bethany 13, Big Creek, Rt. 1, 1; Big Creek 7, Bruce 129, Calhoun City 64, College Hill 1, Derma 16, New Hope 27, Pittsboro 18, Shiloh 1, Spring Hill 1, Oldtown 4, Rocky Mtn. 1, Macedonia 20, Pleasant Ridge 1, Mt. Moriah 1, Sarepta 1, Vardaman 15, Gaston Springs 14.

Corinth

A large crowd attended the pastors' and deacons' conference at Corinth. All pastors seemed encouraged over the outlook on their various fields. Being in Corinth, we heard more about the work of the new pastor, Dr. V. Ward Barr. They are "Going Places." It seems now that an army camp may soon be established in that section.

Alcorn county Baptist Record readers are now listed as follows: Hinkle Creek 2, Corinth First 16, Tate Street 6, West Corinth 40, Rienzi 42, Glen 1, Love Joy 2, Kossuth 1, Tishomingo Chapel 8, Kemp's Chapel 10, Jacinto 8, New Liberty 7, Glendale 1, Liberty Hill 14, Piney Grove 1.

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From Southern Baptists' newest mission in Colombia come reports of great opportunities. Mr. H. W. Schweinsberg writes concerning his desire to purchase land for a church building and to open a primary school for the children of Baptists who, at the present time, are having to attend Catholic schools. Mr. Schweinsberg says: "If Colombia does not prove to be the greatest field that Southern Baptists have entered, we will be greatly disappointed. There seems to be interest in the gospel in a way that we have not seen anywhere in South America."

The First Baptist Church of Laurens, South Carolina, experienced a genuine revival during a series of revival services held recently with Dr. J. D. Grey, pastor of the First Baptist Church, New Orleans, Louisiana, as the preacher. Dr. Grey believes the Scripture with all his heart and preaches the whole Gospel in the most attractive and acceptable manner. In every way he was sympathetic and cooperative, desiring to be a blessing to the whole program of the church and to win the unsaved to Christ. During the revival thirty-four were added to the church, most of them by profession of faith. Prior to these services about forty had been received since the beginning of the associational year, and others have been received since, among them one man eighty-three years of age. This great old church with a long and illustrious history can hardly be the same as it goes forward in a future that offers multiplied privileges and responsibilities. For all the blessings which God has given we are humbly grateful.—J. H. Kyzar, pastor. (Dr. Kyzar was formerly pastor at Drew.)

"The Steward Family" is a study course book, planned primarily for Royal Ambassadors and Girls' Auxiliary. It is written in simple language and in story form so that any junior child may read and understand the meaning, which stewardship and tithe. The author is Mrs. T. S. Medlin, who was formerly W. M. U. young people's leader in Missouri. The price is 30c and may be ordered from your Baptist Book Store.

ITTA BENA: We have had the best revival meeting that we have had since coming to Itta Bena Rev. J. B. Smith from Hollandale and Rev. Earl C. Edwards from Houston were with us during the week of April 19-26. There was good interest and deep conviction. Twenty-four were received into the church, most of whom came on profession of faith—an old man leading the way (86 years of age). Services were held twice at Mission No. 1 during the meeting. There were conversions out there also.—W. R. Storie.

Rev. C. S. Thomas has recently moved from Duck Hill to Carrollton.

NOW CLUB

DOUBLING THE FIVE THOUSAND CLUB

A DEBTLESS DENOMINATION BEFORE 1945

HONESTY * LOYALTY * VICTORY

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We are now ready to give definite and final figures included in June 1st, call:

1948 maturities	\$ 30,000.00
1949 maturities	29,500.00
1950 maturities	30,000.00
1951 maturities	34,000.00
TOTAL	\$123,500.00
Semi-annual interest	\$ 12,480.00

GRAND TOTAL \$135,980.00

We do not need to tell you, this is a gigantic undertaking. It simply cannot be done unless we get unusual cooperation these last days.

We count upon Mississippi Baptists helping in this matter.

June 1st is THE Day!

II

Brethren, we have not cried, "Wolf! Wolf!" in our work. We will not start that now. However, if we have money to take up the \$123,500.00 in bonds and pay that \$12,480 semi-annual interest due, we must have a fine response in dollars by June 1st.

Yes, \$135,980.00 is quite a lot of money! Mississippi Baptists have enough of the Lord's money to easily cover that amount!

Now is the time for each of us to really prove if we want to get out of debt as a denomination!

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BROKEN PROMISES CONCERNING REPEAL

Promises made five years ago by the liquor crowd when liquor laws were being repealed seem to be forgotten by them, but thy will never be forgotten by the drys.

1. "The national budget will be balanced and taxes lowered." But there are two million more people unemployed today than five years ago; compare the national debt!

2. "There will be no return of the saloon." But the modern liquor store is the old saloon plus the women and children! In 1938 Washington had more than four saloons to every church. What of today!

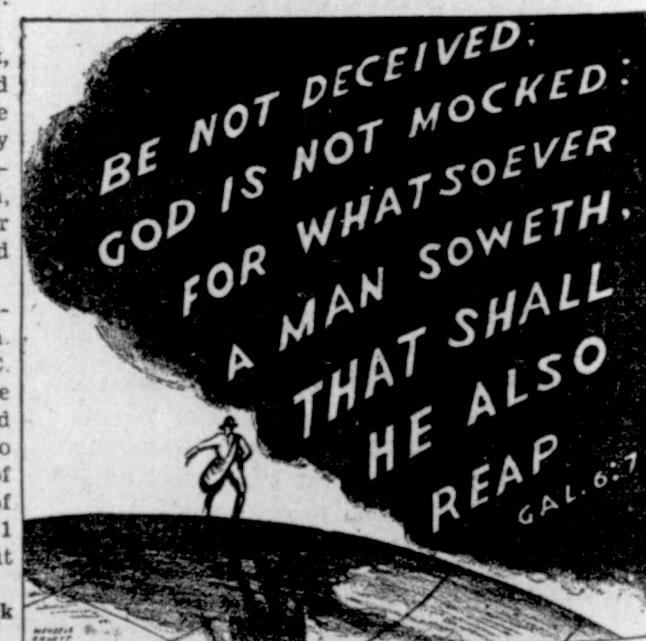
3. "There will be a reduction in crime." But Mr. Edgar Hoover says that crime is costing the American people 15 billion dollars per year and legal liquor is responsible for a large part of this crime.

4. "There will be no drinking among young people." But never was it so easy for a young person to buy liquor as today.

Wake up, America, for God's sake, wake up!—Baptist Evangel.

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LAST CALL—WANTED: The names of Sunday school superintendents who have served for 20 years or more.—The Baptist Record.



Mississippi Baptists

Your Secretary Says:

"LOVE NEVER FAILS." I Cor. 13:8b

Jesus said, "I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH." Mt. 16:18.

**"A good thing to remember,
And a better thing to do,
Is — work with the construction gang,
Not with the wreckin' crew."**

I

We are repeating the Now Club Ad of last week's issue, and correcting two errors that crept in the copy along the way. We make enough mistakes "on our own" without having them increased. Yes, we make plenty of mistakes and enough to spare. They do worry us! These were beyond us, however!

We are calling \$123,000 of our bonds and not \$213,000. Then, "Mississippi Baptists NEED to come to the help of the Lord."

Thank you!

II

To that choice group of persons with money to invest in memorials we would say "Consider a Baptist Memorial Building" for the offices of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

We can think of no larger service one might render. These offices service every cause of Christ—evangelism, missions, education, orphanage, hospital, seminary, aged minister, weak church, etc. Its scope is world-wide! Its name goes out at home, and around the world.

If you are interested in a memorial of far-reaching effect you would do well to consider this.

III

Other churches that gave to the Cooperative Program every month for 1941 paying some months in advance: Walker Hanks, Vaiden, Lucedale, Grenada First, Biloxi First, Long Beach, Clinton, Jackson Calvary, Jackson First, Pascagoula First, Laurel Second, Causeyville, Liberty (Lauderdale), Meridian 15th Avenue, Meridian 41st Avenue, Meridian Highland, Hattiesburg First, Hattiesburg Main Street, Hattiesburg River Avenue, Money, Schlater, Bogue Chitto, Canton First, Berwick, Mt. Olive (Mississippi), Amory, Duck Hill, Hickory, Courtland, Good Hope, Union (Panola), McComb Central, McComb East, Navilla, Tangipahoa, Briar Hill, Morton, Pleasant Hill, Sharon, Webb, Waynesboro, Noxapater, Moss Point First, Wiggins, Pope, Sardis and Knoxo.

IV

One of our most delightful experiences came in the opportunity to teach "How to Win to Christ," at Parkway, Jackson. Attendance ran between 50-100 and 70 took the examination. That is the largest single class we have seen for a whole week for quite awhile.

Dr. W. A. Bell, pastor, was at his best and he is always good. He received that week the notice of the coveted award—Th.D. degree.

They let us in that beautiful new auditorium for classes. We have not seen a more beautiful place of worship. A great church! They presented us with a lovely and serviceable portfolio. Thank you!

V

On Saturday we left for a five days' field trip. First we witnessed a meeting of nearly 200 students in the State B. S. U. Conference encamped near Louisville. President Billy Watson was on the move. Secretary T. C. Clark of Auburn brought helpful suggestions. The department meetings were good. We dropped some thoughts regarding B. S. U. Evangelism.

Sunday we spoke to a fair congregation at Golden, Tishomingo County. Some of these people stand loyally by His work.

At night a congregation almost filled the large new auditorium at Coldwater, Neshoba County. Some choice people carry on here.

About 20 persons in a soul-winners' band came over from Meridian.

With Editor Goodrich we made the Conferences at Calhoun City, Corinth, New Albany and Durant.

Brother McLaurin made three of them with us. The brethren gave a good hearing and evidenced a real interest in the work.

VI

Jesus said, "If my Kingdom were of this world, my servants would fight," etc. John 18:36b.

Some folks are always in a fight with their fellows. They call it Christianity. They keep things in a "stew." Not only some individuals are like that, but some "religious" groups are like that.

We are taught to oppose sin! We are taught to fight the devil! We are promised victory in this warfare!

When it comes to fighting our "brethren" we had best go slow if we are expecting to present a good testimony for Christ before a lost world watching us.

If our kingdom is of this world, then let us go ahead and "raise cain."

Otherwise, let us live as Jesus lived!

VII

Jesus said, "I am not come to destroy but to fulfil." Matt. 5:17.

Jesus was a Builder! Words from His lips at the head of this column state that truth. He built, the heavens and the earth, as one of the Trinity. Gen. 1; John 1; Heb. 1; He Built! He Builds!

We are to build with Him! Read carefully, I Cor. 3:9-16.

It is easy for a half-wit to take a match and destroy a building, which it took a genius years to build and pay for.

The spirit of the saboteur (figuratively one who destroys) first came to earth in the Garden of Eden.

Some destroy property! Some destroy confidence! Some destroy spirit! Some destroy the church! Some destroy the denomination!

We repeat "Jesus was and remains a Builder!" You build with Him! You join Him in fulfilling! Or, you are a destroyer.

The devil, in various sentences and figures in the Bible, is spoken of as a destroyer.

Let us Build and Fulfil—with Jesus!

VIII

One of the most practical publications we have seen is the CHURCH MEMBER'S HANDBOOK by Odle. It is just off Broadman Press. If you are looking for something helpful to put in the hands of your church members you have it in that booklet. Prices are: 1 to 9 copies, each 10c cash only; 10 to 49 copies, each 9c, cash only; 50 to 99 copies, each 8c; 100 or more copies, each 7c.

IX

Mississippi Baptists in large numbers have for the first time an opportunity to read of the beginnings of our work in Mississippi. As we complete these articles in three issues of The Baptist Record, we present some materials by Dr. Alldredge on Great American Revivals. Read them! Rejoice over them! Save them! May they help us to do a like work today!

X

Have you said "Thank you" to these school teachers carrying extra responsibilities for Uncle Sam these days? They have been rendering extra service in fine spirit. Living costs have gone up. It would be just to raise their salaries a bit.

We need to be sympathetic with these rationing boards. Certainly all of us will not get all we want. Those men are in difficult places of service.

Recently we have seen some few hundreds of our pastors in the regional conferences. Congratulations on the fine spirit manifested by them regarding tire rationing. Many have said, "We should sacrifice along with others."

Only in two or three instances have we run across seeming injustices. Certainly most of the men on the rationing boards are patriotic Americans doing their turn. We must help them. In turn they will do their best to service ministers for preaching the gospel, visiting the sick, comforting the bereaved, marrying the young, and burying the dead.

XI

Wake Up, America!

We are at war!

Our Uncle Sam must know we have grown up as a soft, selfish, sinful people!

With our buddies fighting, suffering and dying many of us have been mostly concerned with auto tires.

With sailors on the seven seas facing submarines

The Academy Baptist Church near Blue Mountain, which was organized "on Saturday before the third Sunday in May in 1842," will celebrate its centennial May 16 and 17, according to Miss Ruth Kent, Blue Mountain, chairman of the centennial program committee. Mississippi's Preacher-General Mark Perrin Lowrey of Blue Mountain College was pastor of Academy church from 1865 to 1868. During its history, Academy church has received 433 members, 55 of whom were colored servants. The present pastor is Rev. E. S. Hill. The program will begin Saturday afternoon, May 16, with a sermon by the pastor. The Rev. S. V. Gullett will preach the sermon Saturday evening, and talks will be made by Dr. Lawrence T. Lowrey and William H. McElroy, followed with special music by a Blue Mountain College quartette. Sunday morning, Professor R. W. Griffith, Ripley, will give the history of the church. He will be followed by Dr. W. C. Tyler, who will preach. Sunday afternoon, Dr. J. P. Kirkland, New Albany, will preach.

The officers and teachers of the Webb Baptist Church have just completed a course in The Baptist Faith. Ten were enrolled in the class with five taking the examination. Others who were unable to come the closing night expect to complete the course soon. Studies in Romans by Carroll has been selected by the teachers of the Sumner church as their book for study this year, and the pastor is leading in a discussion of the book at the mid-week prayer services.

Goodman: On Saturday afternoon, May 2, a presbytery composed of Brethren J. G. Chastain, J. M. Metts, B. Frank Smith, J. B. Flowers, Madison Flowers, and Bro. Jones from Mississippi College, examined Bro. Clark McMurry for ordination to the ministry. The presbytery recommended his ordination and on Sunday morning, at eleven o'clock service, Bro. McMurry was ordained by Goodman Baptist Church. Dr. P. I. Lipsey preached the ordination sermon.—Madison Flowers, pastor.

The men of Webb and Sumner Baptist churches enjoyed a real treat Friday evening, May 1, when they had the pleasure of hearing an inspiring message brought by John W. McCall of Memphis, prominent Baptist layman and executive chairman of the Baptist Brotherhood of the South. The ladies of the two churches served a bountiful supper at the Legion Hall, attended by thirty-two laymen and the pastor of the two churches, Rev. J. H. Pennebaker. Judge McCall was accompanied to Sumner by Harry Hollis, president of the Tennessee Brotherhood, who told briefly of the work which the Brotherhood is doing in his state.

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ANGUILLA: After a pastorate of over ten years, Dr. B. B. Hall resigned, on April 26, 1942, as pastor of Anguilla Baptist church to accept the church at Woodville. During his pastorate a goodly number was added to the membership. In 1939 we erected a new building and purchased a new piano. The building was dedicated January 11, 1942. We sincerely regret losing Brother and Mrs. Hall, but heartily commend them to the Woodville church and wish for them a happy and fruitful ministry in their new field of labor.—Carl Dunaway, church clerk.

and sharks—much of America has been engrossed with the subject of sugar.

With mothers in tears and fathers' hearts disturbed, much of America has been mainly concerned with trampling the Lord's Day under foot. Yet, we talk and boast about our patriotism. Most of us are splendidly in love with ourselves!

Come on! Let's tell it to him and mean it like this: "Uncle Sam, we have presented a pretty shabby picture. Now, if you want us to do without sugar for the boy's sake, we will gladly do it. If you need it, you may have what we have on hand.

"Uncle Sam, the work we are doing is pretty important and we need these tires and cars. Liberty and righteousness are important. If you have to have the tires and cars to keep these heritages, we gladly relinquish them into your hands.

"Uncle Sam, some of us have been trying to steal this country out of God's hands. God has more than all else kept this country from being a China, an India, an Egypt, a Turkey. We haven't kept faith. Forgive us!"

We want our America to remain in God's hands. Then, we may expect God to fight on our side!

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WOMEN EXCEED GOAL

Although complete reports are not in, Mississippi receipts for the Annie Armstrong offering have already surpassed any previous record. The total as of May 1 was \$16,000.78. Last year at the same time the total was \$11,508.82. Gradually, year by year, the good women of Mississippi have increased their gifts for the Annie Armstrong offering. They set a goal that looks impossible to the men and then usually proceed to go even beyond that goal. To Miss Traylor, as the leader, and to all those who had a share in this worthy effort, we say, "Well done!"

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STANDARD OIL AND SYNTHETIC RUBBER

We have received a well-prepared and excellently-printed booklet of 28 pages entitled, "A Statement by the Standard Oil Company (N. J.)." It attempts to defend the Standard Oil Company concerning the recent charge concerning synthetic rubber and its connection with German interests and the charge that this resulted in a delay in our rubber program. However, time after time when The Baptist Record has solicited advertising from corporations such as Standard Oil, motor manufacturers, railway systems, etc., we have invariably been told, "We advertise only in regular newspapers." And our reply has invariably been, "We see your advertising in papers with as little circulation as 1000, and our circulation of 26,000 certainly should entitle us to some of your advertising patronage."

Therefore, as our paper is not of value to these large corporations for advertising purposes, we do not propose to use any of our space to set forth their views in trying to defend themselves from charges which have been preferred. In other words, if we are not good enough to use as an advertising medium, we do not propose to use our space as their defensive medium.

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THE STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

It was our privilege to attend some of the sessions of the recent Sunday School Convention which met with the First Church at Brookhaven. Dr. S. H. Jones is pastor and Rev. E. A. Harvey is assistant pastor. Both of these and hosts of Brookhaven people did everything that they could to entertain the meeting in an excellent way.

Sunday School Secretary E. C. Williams had planned an excellent program. We still cannot understand how Brother Williams is able to marshal so much good talent for his meetings. Among the out-of-state workers were: Andrew Allen, Southwide elementary secretary, Nashville, Tenn.; J. N. Barnett, Southwide administration worker, Nashville, Tenn.; Miss Mary Ellen Caver, Southwide approved worker, Birmingham, Ala.; Dr. J. D. Grey, First Baptist Church, New Orleans, La.; Dr. T. L. Holcomb, executive secretary, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.; Miss Blanche Linthicum, Southwide elementary workers, Nashville, Tenn.; Mrs. Lee Macdonnel, Southwide approved worker, Jacksonville, Fla.; Mrs. J. Norris Palmer, elementary worker, Baton Rouge, La.

The meeting was well attended, so well attended that even the front seats were taken. The speakers that we were privileged to hear brought helpful and inspiring messages. And no person attending these meetings and giving even a little attention would go away without a desire to have a share in this great teaching movement.

Only eternity can tell the good that is done by the army of Sunday school workers in our state, as they meet Sunday by Sunday to teach the word. Any pastor who fails to give the Sunday school worker his very best leadership is simply letting golden opportunity go by that can never be re-

Our Contributed Editorial

BY INVITATION OF THE EDITOR

By this means we hope to give our readers a cross section of Mississippi Baptist thought.

THE GOSPEL INVITATION

By W. R. Cooper, Tylertown

This subject has been a most engaging one for many years, even since our first parents in the garden. It was there that the Father promised them a Savior, the seed of the woman shall bruise the serpent's head. The promise reaches back the first man and to every man and this is an invitation to come to Him and believe in Him.

This invitation is universal. The command of Jesus Christ to preach the gospel to every creature proves that it is universal. He commands us to preach the gospel to every creature and "he that believeth and is baptized shall be saved but he that believeth not shall be damned." Then Paul at Athens said to the pagans that He, God, now "commands all men everywhere to repent" and the invitation goes with this command. It is extended to the most ignorant pagan, and the most intelligent pagan in Athens and all over the world to the end of time.

Then we have in the parable in Matt. 22:1-14. "The kingdom of heaven is like unto a king who made a marriage for his son." He sent forth his servants to call those who were bidden to the wedding; and they would not come. He sent other servants, saying tell them which are bidden that all things are ready, my oxen are killed, come to the marriage. But they made light of it. But they had the invitation from the king to come.

Then the king turned in another direction for guests: "Go ye therefore into the highways and as many as ye shall find bid to the marriage." These servants went out into the highways and gathered together all as many as they found, both bad and good and the wedding was furnished with guests. We take it that this was universal in the two groups of invitation, though the first one refused. In the 14th verse Jesus said: "Many are called but few are chosen." If we look and see who were called we will find that all were called, Jews first and then the Gentiles. The proof text is that of the words and command of Jesus to preach the gospel to every creature and he that believeth and is baptized shall be saved.

The question would be asked as to who were the chosen ones—many are called but few are chosen. Its answer is self-evident. Those who accepted the invitation of the king and sat at his table were the ones chosen. So it is that every one who now accepts Jesus Christ as his Savior is chosen. Look at the table and count them and name them and you know the number and their names. They are the chosen ones.

Why did He not choose the others? It is self-evident: They did not accept the invitation. Why are not all of the people now chosen? If they had accepted the invitation to trust the Lord Jesus Christ they would be the chosen ones, or among them.

The invitation was just as urgent and sincere to those who did not come as to those who did. The king sent his servants out two different times and different servants each time with an urge for reasons that they should come, but they refused. Now the same servants he sent to the other group and that among the bad and good and they accepted the invitation and so had seats at the wedding and were greeted by the king.

In the gospel of Isaiah 55:1 we hear the invitation to come to the waters and drink and that without money and without price.

In Matt. 11:28 Jesus says: "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest." We personally believe that every man at times feels that burden and would take it to God but does not. He is tired of carrying it and longs

called. We have never seen a dead Sunday school connected with a live church. Neither have we seen a live Sunday school connected with a dead church. The two things just don't go together. A live Sunday school guarantees a good church and a dead Sunday school insures a dead church.

OUR SELECTED EDITORIAL

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—Editor.

WHEN WAR IS RIGHT

We read of "conscientious objectors" and of churches that have Articles of Faith declaring that the members will not engage in war as soldiers. Such a position with respect to war is wrong and criminal under certain conditions and circumstances.

When a country is about to be invaded for the purpose of gain, the property taken away and the people bound down in slavery as to trade and taxation, it is right to fight to repel the invaders and defend the liberty and property of the people. Not to oppose such invasion and its far-reaching consequences is to commit a crime against one's country and every individual and home in it.

Suppose a man is in a field and sees an airplane coming. He has a powerful gun in his hand that he knows would bring down that airplane. He knows that the airplane is a bomber and is going to a city to destroy homes, business houses and kill men, women and children, even little babies. He could shoot down that bomber and prevent that destruction. But he is a "conscientious objector" to fighting and does not shoot the plane down. It goes on, kills 50 men, women and little children, sets the city on fire and destroys hundreds of thousands worth of property. That man in the field with his powerful gun is in justice responsible for every death and all property destroyed by that airplane. He should have done his duty.

When the commercial rights of a nation are in danger of being destroyed, its people ought to defend them. Such a threat from an enemy is a cause for war and every man who loves his people and cares for the prosperity of his native land ought to join the army of defense.

When freedom and liberty are threatened and the enemy would take them away from a nation permanently, the people should go to war to preserve their rights. The Declaration of Independence is worth war rather than to be bound in slavery. God meant for people to have their liberty. He gave to human beings freedom of the will, the right of choice and whenever a nation or faction would rob a people of freedom it is a just and sufficient cause for war. This country does not need citizens who will object to joining others in defending all that our flag, the Stars and Stripes, symbolizes.—Baptist Standard.

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The four oldest living members of Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church will be present at the centennial celebration of the church Sunday, June 7, C. A. Smith, program chairman, advises. They are: Billie Magill, Guntown, 91, a member for 70 years; Mrs. J. G. McElroy, Baldwyn, 90, a member 70 years; Mrs. Sallie Hill, New Albany, 86, a member since girlhood; W. M. Russell, Dumas, 82. Dr. J. P. Kirkland, pastor, First Baptist Church, New Albany, will preach the centennial sermon.—Reporter.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, LAUREL: Last Sunday was a great day for our people. Baptized one, gave more than \$750.00 to Chinese Relief, with a budget offering of more than \$600.00. Surely the Lord's plan is the best, if we have faith enough to cooperate with Him.—Reporter.

to get rid of it, but does not go to the right source. Of course, those who would carry their burdens to God must have heard of Him. They have heard the gospel from some source.

Then in John 7:37 at the last day of the feast Jesus stood and cried: "If any man thirst let him come unto me and drink." Jesus **stood** and cried to that mighty crowd of surging people present.

In Rev. 22:17 John tells of God in His invitation: "The spirit and the bride say come, let him that heareth say come and let him that is athirst come, and whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." We should urge these invitations as did Jesus and the apostles and our congregations might be more interested and we might disturb the waters more frequently.

Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

OUR STATE OFFICERS

Recording Secretary—Mrs. D. C. Simmons, Jackson, Miss.
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Vice-President—Mrs. John King, Clinton, Miss.

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Young People's Secty.—Miss Edwina Robinson
Miss Study—Mrs. W. A. Bell, Jackson, Miss.

Stewardship—Mrs. J. H. Street, Durant, Miss.
Margaret Fund Trustee—Mrs. D. M. Nelson, Clinton, Miss.
Training School Trustee—Mrs. J. L. Johnson, Jackson, Miss.

The same question has come this week from two different groups; viz: How many emergency appeals are before Southern Baptists now? Seemingly there is some confusion concerning the \$300,000 Emergency Offering to be sent through the Baptist Foreign Mission Board to help meet the needs of imperiled, starving peoples, to whom this Board has definite access, throughout the war-torn world, and the "Chinese Relief" fund that is being fostered by civil organizations and churches of all denominations.

More than one-half of our gifts to the Southern Baptist Emergency fund will go to China where the awful suffering and need is beyond words to describe. Of course we will want our gifts to go through this channel.

Dear Editor:

In my work as a bus driver I encounter many people from all walks of life. A few weeks ago I left Meridian on my regular afternoon bus schedule. At this time the majority of my passengers were women. As we were on our way, I learned that these women had been to the W. M. U. Convention in Meridian. I want this group to know what a joy and inspiration it was to me to be with such fine Christian women. It is always a pleasure to me to have that kind of passengers on my bus.

Sincerely,

JIM DONAHOE.

I was pleased to see many superintendents present at our W. M. U. Convention when our Union voted to accept the goal of an average of five W. M. U. centennial memberships to the Hundred Thousand Club for each association, in addition to what we are already giving for this cause.

This is Mississippi's pledge toward the Southern W. M. U. goal of \$1,000,000 for a debtless denomination by 1945. This means that each superintendent will work toward securing \$100 pledges for this cause to be paid by May, 1945. These pledges may be made by an association, a W. M. U. as a unit, or individuals.

We have a small certificate that will be issued to any group or individual making such a pledge and having paid at least \$10.00 on this membership. We believe this will stimulate the group to complete its payments.

Dear W. M. U. President:

As we look to the days ahead we need to "think much" of our boys and girls and helping them to build Spiritual Reserves. We hear a lot of "National Defense" and we should! I want us to think of "Personal Defense" for troubled, disturbed young people.

We will need to plan wisely and well for attendance upon the camps this summer. Several sections plan to have school buses that will make scheduled stops—others are using cars but being certain that they are FILLED.

We are anticipating the best camps yet. We are working and praying to that end.

If you need further information concerning camps, write to Edwina Robinson, Box 530, Jackson.

Announcements Concerning Camps

State Intermediate G. A. house party—Castalian Springs, Durant, Miss.—July 15-18. Cost, \$5.25.

State Intermediate R. A. camp—Castalian Springs, Durant, Miss.—June 2-6. Cost, \$6.50.

State Y. W. A. camp—Castalian Springs, Durant, Miss.—July 20-24. Cost, \$6.50.

Junior G. A. camps:
District 1, Castalian Springs, Durant—July 30-August 1. Cost, \$3.00.

District 2, Castalian Springs, Durant—July 27-29. Cost, \$3.00.

District 3, University of Mississippi, Oxford—June 11-13. Cost, \$3.00.

District 4, Blue Mountain College—June 8-10. Cost \$3.00.

District 5, Choctaw Lake (unit camp), Ackerman—June 15-17. Cost \$3.00.

District 6, Clarko, Quitman—June 18-20. Cost \$3.00.

District 7, Mississippi Southern College—August 3-5. Cost, \$3.00.

District 8, Percy Quinn, McComb—July 6-10. Cost, \$3.00.

Junior R. A. camps:

Districts 1 and 2, Castalian Springs, Durant—June 8-10. Cost, \$3.00.

District 3, University of Mississippi, Oxford—June 11-13. Cost, \$3.00.

District 4, Tombigbee Park, Tupelo—June 15-17. Cost, \$3.00.

District 5, Choctaw Lake (unit camp), Ackerman—June 18-20. Cost, \$3.00.

District 6, Clarko, Quitman—June 22-24. Cost, \$3.00.

District 7, Camp Dantzler, Hattiesburg—June 25-27. Cost \$3.00.

District 8, Percy Quinn, McComb—July 6-10. Cost, \$3.00.

Intermediate G. A.'s.

13-16 years of age. July 15-18. Registration begins 9 a. m., Wednesday and house party closes after lunch Saturday. Castalian Springs, Durant, Miss. Cost, \$5.25.

BRING: Bible, G. A. Manual, white dress (if maiden, lady-in-waiting or princess), party dress if queen, queen with scepter or queen regent, 40c for mission study book, sheet, pillow case, towels, toilet articles, etc.

SPECIAL: Three improvements were made last year:

1—Simmons steel double bunks. We are to have spaces for 54 more people. This should take care of the crowd. Sorry we had to crowd up last summer.

2—Drinking water. We will have water without minerals available for all.

3—Swimming pool—reconditions—sand has been put in to make it nice for us.

For further information write to:

EDWINA ROBINSON
Box 530,
Jackson, Miss.

Important News

Y. W. A. camp, July 20-24, Castalian Springs (near Durant).

There are five things I want you to know about Y. W. A. camp:

1. PLACE—Castalian Springs, near Durant.

2. DATE—July 20-24. Begins Monday a. m. and closes after lunch Friday.

3. COST—\$6.50 for each girl and each counselor. This includes room, board and registration fee.

4. PLANS include—Bible Hour, Mission Study, Methods Conference, Handcraft, Recreation (visiting the folk of the world) and various special features.

5. PEOPLE—Training school girls; State W. M. U. officers, college helpers, and others.

COME—You and other Y. W. A. members.

BRING—Bible, money for mission study book, Y. W. A. Manual, sheets, pillow-cases, towels, bathing suit, toilet articles, etc.

For further information write to:

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LAST CALL—WANTED: The names of deacons having served twenty or more years.—The Baptist Record.

BAPTISTS LEFT OUT

In a recent news release by the Columbia Broadcasting System, we note that the Advisory Board of Columbia Network's "Church of the Air" held its annual meeting at CBS headquarters for the first time under war conditions.

Members of the Advisory Board at the meeting included the Rev. G. Warfield Hobbs, D.D., secretary of the National Council of the Episcopal Church; Mrs. Edward T. Willson, of the General Council of the Congregational and Christian Churches, representing the Rev. Douglas Horton, D.D.; Dr. Emory Ross, general secretary of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America; the Rev. John J. McClafferty, assistant director, Division of Social Action of Catholic Charities; Russell B. Pettit, representing B. Palmer Lewis, head of the Christian Science Committee on Publication for the State of New York; the Rev. Ralph Long, D.D., executive director of the National Lutheran Council; Dr. Ralph Stoddy, director of Methodist Information, representing Bishop Francis J. McConnell of the Methodist Church; the Rev. Theodore F. Savage, D.D., executive secretary, Presbytery of New York, and Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, LL.D., Central Synagogue of New York.

(Evidently Baptists don't count. We fail to recognize a single one in the above list.—Editor.)

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Dr. L. R. Scarborough, president of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, resigned the presidency of the institution and announced his decision to the student body during the chapel exercises Friday, April 24. His resignation is to become effective August 1, completing the regular session and the summer session. He retires to the valley Seminary farm where he has maintained a home for some years. He does not wholly sever his Seminary connection. He expects to work in the field of the seminary endowment. His present action has been due to the advice of physicians and is necessary for the retention of his health.

Canton: April offering exceeded April offering last year by \$200.00.

Mississippi Baptists will do it. They were asked for a \$10,000.00 cash offering for the Baptist Orphanage on Mother's Day. Did you have a part in this offering? If not, send an offering now, it is not too late.

LAMP UNTO MY FEET, volume two, by Rev. E. Norfleet Gardner of the First Baptist Church of Henderson, North Carolina, continues a series of sermon studies on the books of the Bible. The author treats each book in one short chapter. They are stimulating and helpful. Volume two includes First Chronicles through Lamentations. Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, Grand Rapids, Michigan, are the publishers and the price is 1.00.

Dr. M. E. Dodd is preaching every Sunday at 8:30 a. m. over the 500,000-watt radio station KWKH, 1130 kilocycles.

Paul Z. Ball has been called to Shelton Baptist Church as pastor. Church services to be the first and third Sundays in each month. May 3, 70 attended Sunday school, where two weeks ago only about 45 attended. We hope to have a Standard Sunday school soon. We also hope to adopt the Every Family Plan soon. Pray for us that we may have a great year for Christ.

There may be some pastors, Sunday school superintendents and presidents of missionary societies who did not have the privilege of urging their people to make a cash offering for the children of the Baptist Orphanage on Mother's Day. If you failed to have an opportunity to present this very important matter at this special time, do not put it off any longer, it is not too late. Give your people an opportunity to make an offering at your next service and we know they will respond.

25 YEARS AGO

The pastors of Strong River Association have organized a pastors' conference and met this week at Mendenhall with Brother J. P. Williams, April 25-26.

The Pelahatchie church used their new building for the first time last Sunday, having Sunday school in it.

The Clarksdale church has purchased a large tent and is now holding services of all kinds in it.

Last night closed one of the best meetings in the history of the Lyon church. Rev. H. M. King did the preaching and Robert L. Cooper led the singing. W. S. Allen, pastor.

Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., writes enthusiastically of his visit to Southern Baptists' newest mission field in Colombia, South America. He says, "Colombia is definitely an open door. In these few months Missionary H. W. Schweinsberg has organized the work of the First Baptist Church with prayer meeting on Wednesday, Bible study on Friday, and preaching in the suburbs on Tuesday." At the April meeting of the Foreign Mission Board five new missionaries were appointed and set apart to serve in this needy field. These were Rev. and Mrs. Thomas Lawton Neely, of South Carolina, Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Renich Dailey of Kentucky and Ohio, and Miss Helen Meredith of Georgia.

Our sympathy goes out to Dr. B. Locke Davis of First Baptist Church, Springfield, Mo. in the loss of his mother, who passed away on April 15. People of Missouri remember him for his effective ministry at Gulfport and Brookhaven.

Plans are going forward at Itta Bena to erect a small building at Mission No. 2 where services may be held.

Southern Baptist Hospital, New Orleans, needs girls for its August class of student nurses.

MISSISSIPPI AND HILLMAN COLLEGES MAKE CHANGES

Since Hillman and Mississippi Colleges are to be co-ordinated at the end of this session, a few changes are necessary in the personnel. The Misses Crone are to continue in the Music Department, but a new Dean of Women is necessary. Mrs. Howard E. Spell has accepted this position. She and Dr. Spell will live on the campus and will do their part in continuing to make the campus happy and home-like.

Mrs. Spell was a former English teacher at Hillman and she and Dr. Spell lived on the Hillman campus while he was assistant pastor of Bible at Mississippi College a number of years ago.

President M. P. L. Berry will become Dean of the Hillman Division while Dr. Nelson will be president of the combined institutions. All of the literary work will be taught by Mississippi College professors. It is the general belief that the Hillman dormitories will be filled to capacity with students.

The annual Hillman Alumnae meeting will not be held this year due to the fact that the Mississippi College summer term begins immediately after Commencement, and new students will be coming in on Monday for the opening Tuesday. The transfer of property from Hillman to Mississippi College will have to be made during the rush of Commencement. Rooms will have to be cleared out and cleaned almost overnight and because of this rush, the alumnae meeting is called off.

Instead of being a Junior College, "The State" will become the Hillman division of Mississippi College, a standard senior college for men and women. The difference between this arrangement and regular co-educational schools is that the women will live on one campus and the men on another. All will enjoy the wonderful Christian influences and ideal social life in Clinton, and share the opportunities of Jackson, the state capital.

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LAST NOTICE: Wanted: The names of Sunday Schools that has been STANDARD for ten or more consecutive years.—The Baptist Record.

Pastoral Problems

By Norman W. Cox

"SELF-WILL"

Another of the "sins of the saints" is a stubborn devotion to the matter of having one's own way. It is a case of self-will that is ready to contend for its own conclusions, without giving due regard for the rights and attitudes of others.

Sin in its very essence is the desire to live one's life independently of the authority of God. Self-will brings one into collision with the will of Christ. The desire to have one's own way prevents the surrender of many a soul to the will of Christ.

We who are on the roster-roll of the saints, church members, should be very careful that what we want to do is in harmony with the mind and spirit of our Master before we dare to stand up and oppose the plans and leadership of our church, or denomination.

In a hundred small ways Satan can beguile us into the idea that we are standing up for righteous principles, when as a matter of fact, we are just trying to have our own way. The sensitive soul that wants to do the will of Christ will be very careful to conform what he wants to do and his attitude with the way Christ teaches.

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Rev. C. S. Thomas, pastor of North Carrollton Baptist Church, has just returned from Mobile, Alabama, where he preached in a meeting at the Shadowlawn Baptist Church, Rev. M. I. McLeod, pastor. He reports a good meeting with 16 additions.

ACKERMAN: Our young people's choir, under the leadership of Mrs. Hardin, led the musical program in the First Baptist Church of Greenwood last Sunday evening. Sixteen of our finest young people participated, again proving their loyalty, ability and good pleasure in Christian service.—Reporter.

Ministering Men for a Stricken World

Ours is a stricken, needy world.

Stricken with sin, it desperately needs the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Our soldiers should have Chaplains who know Christ and His Gospel and who can bring the lost to the Saviour.

Our churches should have men of passion and power to lead them aright.

Our boards and institutions should have men of high character and Christian statesmanship to give direction to our united efforts.

Our mission fields, at home and abroad, should be in charge of men of courage and consecration, determined to press the cause of Christ with utmost vigor in this day of need and opportunity.

Ministers of this caliber must be tested, trained, equipped, disciplined men. To provide God-called ministers with this equipment is the business of your Seminary, in which have enrolled this session more than 500 carefully chosen students.

The next session, 1942-43, will bring heavy responsibilities which we must now get ready to meet. We appeal to you to help us with this great task.

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Sparks and Splinters

"New Testament Evangelism For Today" is the name of a splendid new book by Dr. W. L. Muncy, Jr., which has recently come from the Central Seminary Press. Dr. Muncy is a graduate of the Baptist Bible Institute in New Orleans, and is now pastor of the great Savannah Avenue Baptist Church of St. Joseph, Mo., and at the same time is serving as instructor in Missions and Evangelism in the Central Baptist Theological Seminary in Kansas City, Kansas. Those who read the author's book, "New Testament Evangelism in a Modern Church," published in 1937, will welcome this new volume. The book is divided into three parts—Personal Evangelism, Church Evangelism and Miss Evangelism. It presents a comprehensive, sound and very interesting treatment of evangelism based on the author's long and thorough study of the subject, and on his outstanding success in his own church in the application of the principles and methods set forth. Every pastor and many other workers should possess a copy, and it should be in every church library. The price is one dollar.—B. Locke Davis.

From North China comes this message: "All the word from Hwangshien is good. The foreigners are going right along with their work. They have liberty to go about the compound although they are not allowed to go to the country. It seems that, for a day or two, the Seminary was closed down but was then permitted to re-open."

During the past few weeks several bits of information have come into the board's office concerning missionaries in occupied China. Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Hamlett and Mr. J. E. Jackson in Musih are reported to be living in their homes in Chinese style. They are not allowed to leave their compound. From Yanchow, Dr. and Mrs. D. F. Stamps have reported that they are well and confined to their own compound. Since spring has come in China they are enjoying their gardens.

From Lagos, Nigeria, Mrs. J. B. Adair writes: "Since we arrived, it has been our privilege to lead four Mohammedans to Christ. It is very difficult for them to turn from their religion. Many times they are disowned by their parents when they become Christians; but when they do find Christ they are very happy and seem to want to tell others just what Christianity has to offer. They then realize the difference between a living and dead religion."

March 30th-April 5th, it was my pleasure to be with Brother E. Y. Soileau and the people at Catchings, Miss., in their revival. We had eight days of splendid services together. Brother Soileau has been pastor at Catchings for five or six years, and the way the people are devoted to him, it looks as though he is there for life. It is a good church, and the people are loyal to their church and their pastor. It was a joy to work with pastor and people. Mrs. Soileau directed the music during the meeting, and did a good job of it. The Soileaus have been a blessing to our section of the delta. In November, I was with him in the organization of a church where he had been doing work as our missionary in Deer Creek Association, January 1, of this year that church went to half-time. They are building a nice place of worship and we look for still better work from this the Issaquena Baptist Church.—J. B. Smith, Hollandale.

ESCATAWPA: On Sunday, April 19, our church entertained twenty-two soldiers from Keesler Field. After a sermon by Rev. Windham, eleven members of our W. M. S. each invited two of the boys to their homes for dinner. We met at the church campus at three o'clock that afternoon and played games and sang songs. Just before the boys left for Keesler Field we were served refreshments at the parsonage and ended this enjoyable day with the song, "God Be With You," and then were dismissed with a prayer by Rev. Windham. We are planning to invite more boys in the future, and everyone seems to enjoy doing this. Most of the boys we had Sunday were from New York, with several from New Jersey, one from Mississippi and one from Pennsylvania.—Reporter, Mrs. Joe Robinson.

Rev. John E. Barnes, Jr., of West Point, calls our attention to the fact that it is Reverend John E. Barnes, of West Point, and that the Doctor should be attached to the name of his father, who now resides in Mobile, Ala.

UNION: Rev. Harry Beckman is supplying the pulpit of the First Baptist Church of Union while the pastor and family are away on a brief vacation and trip to the Southern Baptist Convention.

Dr. James Randolph Hobbs, for 19 years pastor of the First Baptist Church of Birmingham, Ala., until ill health forced his retirement, died at his home in Birmingham, April 23. The son of a Baptist minister, he was born in Hinds County, Mississippi, and attended Mississippi College and Union University. Prior to going to Birmingham, he was pastor of churches at Mt. Sterling and Owensboro, Ky., Shelbyville, Tenn., and Jonesboro, Ark. He served as vice-president of the Southern Baptist Convention for two terms, as president of the Alabama Baptist Convention for two years and was president of the Anti-Saloon League in 1937. Blessings be upon his memory and the Lord comfort the sorrowing.

UNION: The First Baptist Church of Union, Miss., is sending Pastor L. B. Cobb to the Convention in San Antonio.

ABERDEEN: The first Sunday in April, I began my ministry with the First Baptist Church of Aberdeen. The work has begun well. There have been eleven additions thus far during the month. There is a fine spirit in the church. I count it a great honor to follow Dr. J. M. Walker, who led this church in a most blessed way for 22 years. He has retired from the active pastorate and is living here. It will be a joy to have him in the city and to advise with him along the way. I sincerely hope he will be used much over the state as the opportunity presents itself.—C. A. Alexander.

PARCHMAN: Dr. A. L. O'Briant, chaplain at Parchman, announces that Rev. Otis Perry is to be with him in a revival at Parchman, beginning the first Sunday in May.

Chaplain W. E. Ferguson of Camp Polk, La., writes: "I am enjoying my work as a chaplain very much, although it was very hard for me to give up my civilian pastorate. I feel that I am able to do a great work at present with the men of the army than I could in civil life. I miss my contact with the denominational life of our state, but I am finding some opportunities to go among the churches in this territory."

On the second Sunday in April, Lamar Ball was licensed to preach by Unity Baptist Church in Greene County. He is a brother of Rev. Paul Ball, Ellisville, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Ball, of Leakesville.

April 12th through the 19th, I was with Pastor W. R. Storie, and his good church at Itta Bena. On April 12th, Brother Storie entered into his fourth year with the church. His people love him dearly, and he is doing a fine work. He has two Mission Stations out from town and is reaching a great number of people for the Lord. It was a real joy to be associated with him in our work together. Brother E. C. Edwards of Houston, conducted the music in a fine way, and spoke at the school two mornings at the same time services were held at the church. The Lord won a great victory in many lives. There were a number of reconsecrations to the Lord and His service. Seven came by letter and sixteen for baptism. One man sixty-five years old was saved. Several fathers and mothers gave their hearts to the Lord. As a result of this, their sons came accepting Christ. The pastor had made preparation for a revival, and the people were thinking in terms of blessings from the Lord.—J. B. Smith, Hollandale.

A Youthful Preacher—Domicio, converted in an interior city of Brazil, by reading the New Testament, began preaching at fifteen. He had never seen a whole Bible, knew almost nothing of denominations and had not been baptized. A traveler had passed and left the seed sown in the heart of the boy's mother. She bought a New Testament and read it with her son. Domicio had been preaching ever night with three sessions—first, a children's meeting; then a preaching for older people; and last, another adult meeting after the first service was closed for lack of room. Now Domicio is studying in Belo Horizonte. He has been baptized and is very active for the Lord.

DENOMINATIONAL CALENDAR FOR MAY

- Evangelism.
- Cooperative Program.
- Now Club Roundup.
- B. T. U. Secretary Visits Associations.
- Y. W. A. Focus Week, 10-17.
- Hospital Day, May 10.
- Southern Baptist Convention, San Antonio, 16f.
- W. M. U. Annual Meeting, San Antonio, May 14f.
- Tithes and Offerings According to the Scriptures.
- Emphasis on R. A. Camp.
- Y. W. A. Focus Week, May 10-17.
- Study, "The Way of Missionary Education," by Miss Mather.
- Mother's Day Cash Offering for Orphanage, Second Sunday.
- State B. S. U. Spring Retreat, May 1, 2, Legion Park, Louisville, Miss.
- Ridgecrest Reservations for B. S. U. Week.
- Vacation Bible Schools.

The Holly Springs Junior G. A., under the leadership of Mrs. E. L. McPhearson, had a Mother-Daughter banquet Thursday, April 3. The banquet hall was decorated with G. A. colors, Nile green and white. Seventeen of the nineteen members were present with sixteen mothers and guests. The program consisted of G. A. songs, ideals, allegiance and watchword, a quartet by four girls, a vocal solo by Mrs. Edward L. Byrd, and the main address by Rev. James Parker of Ripley. Special guests were Rex and Mrs. E. L. Byrd, Rev. and Mrs. James Parker, Ripley, and Mrs. J. W. Gaston, Morton.

It pays to advertise in The Baptist Record. Rev. C. S. Moulder writes that after running four small ads in The Record, he sold over 600 copies of "Dan Moulder, The Flaming, Untiring Country Preacher." There are other Baptists in Mississippi who could profit by advertising in their own Baptist paper.

Dr. N. D. Timmerman, who recently went from Clarksdale to Bartlesville, Oklahoma, already has his church in high gear. The attendance is growing, they have over 100 members in the Hundred Thousand Club. There have been over 75 additions and the indebtedness has been reduced \$3000 in five months. Dr. J. M. Dawson of Waco, Texas, and singer Carroll, who was recently with Hyman Appelman in Meridian, have recently been with them in a revival.

One chaplain writes us as follows: "I've been worked over by the grace of God. During the past two months I've been on my knees. The conference at Clinton helped me a great deal. Our work in this division is going strong. Conversations every day! The men are serious. God is beginning to work. My heart is in my throat, tears in my soul. I hope every preacher's and chaplain's heart will be broken for the lost and backslidden. The obstacles here are incredible, superhuman. What is being done is not by man, but by the grace of His Spirit."

Dr. L. B. Campbell writes concerning a meeting with Pastor L. F. Greer, Greggton, Texas: "I am over here in East Texas in the edge of the biggest oil field in the world, working for the Lord with Brother L. T. Greer, formerly of Boyle, Mississippi. The boy has done a fine piece of work out here, has built a good little building, with educational unit, auditorium and office unit, all of brick, complete with what you may want. He has built the Lord a better organization than the building, and he has a secure place in the affections of his people. I rejoice in his success as in that of another of my boys."

Rev. O. C. Hicks, pastor of Rienzi and Ashland, recently did the preaching in a revival in the First Baptist Church at Esther, Mo. There were eleven additions to the church; eight by baptism.

Mother's Day has passed, but the memory of mother lingers still. If you did not get to make an offering for the children of the Baptist Orphanage it is not too late to do so now.

LAST CALL—WANTED: The names of Sunday schools that have been standard for 10 or more consecutive years.—The Baptist Record.

Sunday School Lesson

Prepared By
ERACY CAMPBELL

Lesson for May 17
"THE DAY OF CONFLICT"
Matthew 22:41-23:12

Introduction.

It will be of great advantage to you and me to read the whole of Matthew 21-23. It will set the lesson in its place and get us intellectually in line with its teachings.

Let us lay emphasis upon starting right, and remind ourselves that the place to start right is at the start of anything. If a man begins to button his vest by buttoning the first button right, all the others may easily be buttoned right, but if the first be wrong, the whole process will be wrong. A lad who does not get the fundamental operations in arithmetic right, will never get mathematics right. If a man is wrong on the cardinal moral sanctions, he will always be wrong. If a man does not get the truth of the nature of Jesus right, he will never be right with God. Our Lord Jesus just did not believe that it made little or no difference what religious beliefs people held. He thought that the question, "What think ye of the Christ," a question so important that no man could face one of greater importance. If one has a wrong conception of Christ, everything else in one's inner moral life will be wrong; there will be a wrong conception of sin, a wrong conception of salvation, a wrong conception of the life to come.

I. The Source of His Authority. 21:23-27.

"By what authority doest thou these things? and who gave thee this authority?" Had our Lord answered these men directly, He could not have satisfied them. They were definitely trying not to understand, but to misunderstand, so that they could misinterpret His words and make Him trouble. So He countered with a question which closed their mouths. "The baptism of John, whence was it? from heaven or from men?" They must not answer, "From heaven," else would our Lord have asked in return, "Why then do you not receive his testimony concerning me?" They must not deny that John's commission was from heaven, else the turbulent people might mob and kill them. So they lied and said, "We do not know."

II. A Triad of Pertinent Parables.

1. Of the two sons. Matthew 21:28-32.

The father told the two sons to go and work in the field. One of the sons told his father that he would not go to work, but afterwards he repented and went. The second told the father that he would go and work, but he pottered about and did not go at all. Which of the two did the father's will? The one who finally went and worked. This answer being elicited, Jesus struck the Phari-

sees with the application, "The publicans and harlots, all of them who repent of their sins and do the Father's will in accepting His Christ, go into the kingdom rather than the self-righteous Pharisees, boasting of their loyalty to God, and refusing to heed His word.

2. Of the wicked husbandmen. Matthew 21:33-46.

Israel is God's Kingdom, and the leaders of the people are the husbandmen. They had killed the prophets and mistreated them in every way. Finally, now, God had sent them His son that He might receive at their hands the fruit of the righteousness of His people, and, lo, they were about to kill the Son. In consequence of this wicked action, their nation shall be destroyed.

3. Of the marriage feast. Matthew 22:1-14.

A king made a marriage feast for his son. Read the story and then see what words I have to say. The marriage supper is the gospel feast. The servants who went to invite the chosen ones to the supper were the prophets, all of whom stood a-tip-toe looking for the coming of the Savior and tell the people He would certainly come. But these servants went unheeded. Those who were invited would not come. So the king sent his servants into the streets and lanes of the city to call in the bad and the good together, and the king clothed them all alike so that they would do honor to the feast. Those people who were brought in are the classes whom the Pharisees despised. Our Lord doubtless means to teach incidentally that whomsoever God makes fit is fit. But the story tells of one chap who thought he was fit in his own fitness. Let all people realize that God has prescribed the elements which make men fit, and they who undertake to sit with the chosen of God in robes of their own choosing, will find themselves rejected when the eye of God shall search them out.

III. Our Lord Sustains the Questions of His Enemies. Matthew 22:15-40.

"Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar?" They had put Him into a dilemma. If He answered, "Yes," He would lose His hold upon the affections of the people, all of whom regarded the Romans as tyrants who had usurped authority over God's people. If He answered "No," they would simply report His answer to the Roman officers, and they would attend to Him as a fomenter of rebellion. He escaped the dilemma by His reply, "Render to Caesar" (give to Caesar) "the things which are Caesar's, and unto God the things which are God's." This was question one.

2. Marriage relations in heaven. Matthew 22:23-34.

This was the question of the Sadducees. They disputed the existence of angels and the after-life. "Whose wife shall she be of the seven men who had her as wife, in this resurrection life you talk about?" Our Lord's answer was the most terrible insult He could have offered their dignity. Accuse a Sadducee of anything else in the world, but please do not tell him that he does not know. But our Lord said, "The matter with you is that you are ignorant both of the scriptures and of the power of God. In heaven, we are going to rise above the realm of physical relationships, we are not going to marry and give in marriage there. Our joys are going to be

"MISS HILLMAN" CROWNED

Miss Cannie Marie Crane of Pascagoula was crowned as "Miss Hillman" on May 9th. Her court consisted of Misses Nan Cartledge, Winona; La Verne Jolly, Okolona; Louise Hartzog, New Hebron; Rachel Waggener, Jackson; Doris Spencer, Hollandale; Carroll Bullock, Tylertown; Eleanor Hitt, Vicksburg; Mary Anna Hardin, Calhoun City; Marie Skinner, Lexington; Mary Emily Greenway, Silver Creek. To be elected "Miss Hillman" is the greatest honor the students can bestow. They vote for the girl who in their opinion most nearly represents the Hillman ideals as expressed in the acrostic:

H—for Honesty.
I—for Industry.
L—for Loyalty.
L—for Love.
M—for Morality.
A—for Altruism.
N—for Nobility.

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MISSISSIPPIN IN TEXAS MEETING

The writer has recently had the pleasure of preaching for a two weeks' revival meeting at the First Baptist Church of Hereford, Texas. In spite of around twelve inches of rain and much stormy weather, the Lord gave a good revival. Twenty-eight decisions resulted, twenty-three of these joining the church. Of those who joined the church twenty were received by baptism. In addition, scores of people rededicated their lives to the Lord. Rev. W. E. Barnes is the faithful pastor of this church. It was the third revival in which we have assisted Brother Barnes and in each instance he has manifested vigorous and earnest leadership of the church forces. Since he became pastor at Hereford four years ago the budget of the church has doubled. He has led the district in conversions and his church leads all the churches of his city in Sunday school attendance and in people reached for Christ.

H. H. HARGROVE,
Columbus Avenue Baptist Church,
Waco, Texas.

of a higher quality than the merely physical. As to whether there is an after life, please remember what God said to Moses at the burning bush, "I am the God of Abraham" (Not, "I was the God of Abraham when there was an Abraham, and of Isaac when there was an Isaac, and of Jacob when there was a Jacob, but of them who are now) "of Isaac, and of Jacob."

3. The great commandment. Matthew 22:34-40.

Read the passage. There is nothing to say, except, perhaps, that what His questioner wanted to know was not, Which is the first commandment in the decalogue, but which is the most important commandment. And our Lord replied that it was the one which commands every power of man into the love of God.

IV. Christ's Great Question Concerning the Christ. Matthew 22:41-46.

I have a sermon on this question. It is perhaps my favorite among all my sermons. How can the Christ have been David's Lord while David lived and David's son long after David died? The Pharisees taught that He was merely David's son, a great political leader. Opposed to this is the truth of His divine-human nature, son of God, son of Mary, Lord from all eternity, Son of man.

V. The Woes Pronounced on the Pharisees. Matt. 23:1-30.

Read it all, all of it.

—BR—

Calvary Church, Jackson, has set a goal of 1200 in Sunday school, and expects soon to reach it.

"GET THRU IN '42"

Dick H. Hall, Jr., Pastor,
First Baptist Church
Decatur, Georgia

An article by Dr. H. H. Hargrove, of Waco, Texas, concerning preparation to meet the emergency and the missionary opportunity following the war strikes one as very timely. Doors will be opened for the missionaries and calls will come for help such as we have not seen before. The place that our missionaries have won in the hearts of the Chinese alone, by their devotion to them through their years of suffering, will give opportunity for mission advances in China probably of greater proportion than our present efforts in home and foreign missions combined.

If history repeats itself, we will have a depression after the war that will greatly hinder this mission work unless we have some resources set aside in advance.

One barrier stands squarely in the way of such advance: Our present debts. Is not the call then:

"GET THRU IN '42"?

Five million Southern Baptists owe two million dollars. Incomes on the whole have increased and during the time of this war boom we should very easily pay these debts.

With the likelihood of a fixed ceiling on higher incomes and with the unusual taxes on incomes of every size, it should be much easier to persuade our people to give more largely to the cause of Christ. Many of our strong business men will gladly take advantage of the privilege of giving 15% of our incomes into the church. Church debts and denominational debts should be wiped out this year by all means.

The Hundred Thousand Club was the product of threatened calamity. Creditors were about to foreclose on some of our institutions and Southern Baptists did the heroic thing in paying these debts and re-establishing Baptist credit. Recently the Home Mission Board borrowed money at the cheapest rate on record for a religious organization, and this at the suggestion of the bankers. The Hundred Thousand Club rebuilt our credit. It greatly served.

Appropriations for the Army and Navy seemed high for us in 1939, 1940 and 1941. Now those figures seem so inadequate. We must now "do business in great waters" (Psa. 107:23).

There is little of the heroic now in a call for five million Southern Baptists to pay two million dollars. But, if we can see this as the day dawning of God's power; if we can visualize fifty million and more starving people holding out hands for bread; if we can sense the heart hunger of millions of people around the globe for the Bread of Life; if we can hear anew the call and the claim of Christ for first place in our lives; surely we will set ourselves heroically for all-out service.

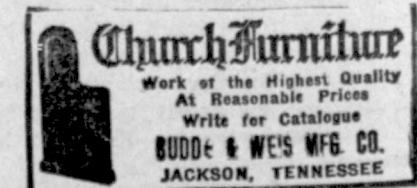
As to the debt barrier, can't we

"GET THRU IN '42"

and so on?

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NEWTON: Yesterday closed the fifth year of my pastorate here. Sunday school attendance 245, B. T. U. 88. There was one addition by letter, and fourteen were baptized. 317 additions by letter during the five years, and 136 baptized. The people have been kind, gracious and cooperative, and the years have been happy ones for the pastor.—R. A. Morris.



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Thursday, May 14, 1942.

THE BAPTIST RECORD

9.

HISTORY OF EARLY MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST LIFE

Methodist Minister in 1866 Writes About the Trials and Hardships of Those Seeking Religious Freedom
(Continued from Last Week)

Continuing the narrative of the departure of Mr. Curtis and his friends, Mr. Jones says:

"Why they had fallen into such sore trials was not for them to decide. They had an abiding consciousness of having aimed to do right. They had no desire to wrong either the provincial government or the papal hierarchy. Their sole object had been to worship God and to do good to their fellow men, according to their understanding of the Holy Scriptures. God knew their hearts, and would judge them accordingly. The path of duty, though crowded with difficulties was the only path of safety, and by the help of God, they would constantly endeavor to walk therein at all hazards. If they were faithful, Infinite Wisdom would overrule all for their good and for the furtherance of the gospel." When all the necessary preparations had been made for their journey, such as supply of food and clothing, 'a new and unexpected difficulty arose,' says Mr. Jones. 'Not a man could be found willing to risk the penalty of "aiding and abetting" in the escape of the refugees. Their absence from home a single day or night might throw suspicion on them and lead to disastrous consequences; and the question was asked with increasing anxiety, 'who will take their supplies to their place of concealment on Bayou Pierre?' The question was soon answered. There lived in the vicinity a noble-hearted and daring woman by the name of Chloe Holt, who acted in the capacity of accoucheuse for the settlement, and was in every way suitable for such an adventure as was now on hand. Aunt Chloe had a kind and sympathetic heart, but an iron will, was determined and bold, and withal was a little eccentric. While she was all aglow to have the pleasure and honor of conveying the needed supplies to the exiles, she wished to hit a back-handed blow at what she considered the cowardice of the men in the neighborhood. 'If the men in the neighborhood,' said she, 'are so fainthearted that not one of them can be prevailed upon to take Dick Curtis and his companions in exile their promised supplies, in order to secure their escape from the clutches of these gospel-hating Catholics, if they will furnish me with a good horse, surmounted with man's saddle, I will go in spite of the Spaniards, and they may catch me if they can.' The families and refugees were glad to avail themselves of her generous offer, and a suitable horse was accordingly brought and saddled as she desired. All things being ready, she made her appearance, dressed cap-a-pie, in gentlemen's clothes, and mounting in cavalier style boldly dashed off. The journey was hastily and successfully made. She took the last farewell of the loved ones at home to the sorrow-stricken exiles, delivered them their supplies, gave them her blessing, and returned as she went. No one molested Aunt Chloe, and that adventure was her boast to the close of her life. It is supposed she died and was buried in Warren County, somewhere about the headwaters

of Big Bayou Pierre. Could we find her grave we would make the effort to have a suitable monument placed upon it to perpetuate her name and noble deed to generations yet unborn. Whoever may, in future, write the History of the Baptist Churches in Mississippi, let them not forget to make honorable mention of Chloe Holt. 'Peace to your ashes,' old friend, wherever they may rest.

"Soon after receiving their supplies by the hands of Mrs. Holt, the exiles began to move northward, threading their way along the old Natchez and Cumberland Trace, fording or swimming the smaller streams, making rafts of logs to ferry themselves over the larger rivers, sleeping on the ground at night, with the sky for a covering, until they arrived in the white settlements northeast of the Indian country. In process of time they reached the former home of Mr. Curtis, on Great Peepee, in South Carolina, where they remained over two years and a half." Mr. Curtis was active and acceptable as a preacher, and during his sojourn in South Carolina was regularly ordained by Benjamin Mosely and Matthew McCullens, and was duly empowered, whenever he should return to the Natchez country, to constitute a Baptist church.

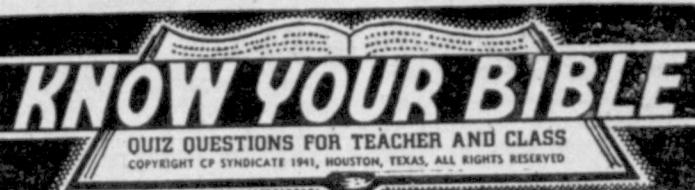
"While he and his friends were in exile political changes were in progress. The Natchez district was claimed as being within the chartered limits of Georgia, and, consequently, as belonging to the United States, and Colonel Andrew Ellicott, with a suitable force, had been sent on by the general government to enforce the claim, by negotiation if possible; if not, by force of arms. After many vexatious delays, under a variety of pretexts, Col. Ellicott had to assume a belligerent attitude, and promptly informed the Spanish commander that if he did not surrender Fort Rosalie by March 30, 1798, he would reduce it by bombardment, and placed his ordnance about where the lower end of Main street in Natchez now is, for that purpose. The fort was evacuated before that morning, and during the day the Americans took possession of the works. The "Stars and Stripes" was raised on the heights of Natchez; a large brush arbor made, temporary seats put under it and Bailey Chaney sent for me to come and preach under the American colors. He had an immense congregation, who, no doubt, enjoyed the first religious service in Mississippi under the American Flag."

Thus, in Mississippi "the dark and menacing clouds of persecution passed away, and all was light, love and joy in that little band" of Baptists.

"On the return of Richard Curtis to his home in the Natchez country the voice of the oppressor had ceased in the land. The Stars and Stripes had been thrown to the balmy breezes that fanned old Fort Rosalie, and liberty of conscience was proclaimed to all. The hitherto oppressed and down-trodden Baptist community met in conference, and, under the superintendence of their beloved Richard Curtis, who presided as moderator, they completed their organization 'in due and ancient form,' as a regular Baptist church.

"This was probably in the summer of 1798. Their first church was called Salem, that is, Peace, and stood among the upper branches of the South Fork of Cole's Creek, in Jefferson County, on what is still known as 'the Salem road.' Their usual places for immersion was in Harper's Fork, a little to the south of the church."

Richard Curtis, the first Baptist preacher in the state, is described as "a plain, honest, unsophisticated man, a sincere and spiritual Christian, and an uncompromising and zealous preacher of the gospel. If he was very pointed and plain-spoken at times in the pulpit, his manner suited the rough work he had to do." "His wife, 'Aunt Pattie,' as she was familiarly called by the connection, survived as a hale old lady until about



What is the "Moabite Stone"? It is a stone similar to a gravestone, 3 feet, 9 inches long, 2 feet, 4 inches wide, and 1 foot, 2 inches thick. It is in the Louvre in Paris, and carries the record of the wars of Mesha, King of Moab with Israel. II Kings 3:4.

What is the first tree mentioned in the Bible? The fig tree, as found in Genesis 3:7. Isaiah recommended the use of the fig as a poultice. See Isaiah 38:21.

FROM THE PEN OF GREAT MEN AND WOMEN!

"Beware of despairing of yourself; you are commanded to put your trust in God and not in yourself."

—St. Augustine.

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CONCERNING THE SAN ANTONIO CONVENTIONS

Austin Crouch

I

The Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, will hold its fifty-fourth annual session in the auditorium, San Antonio, Texas, May 14, 15, 1942.

The Southern Baptist Convention will hold its eighty-seventh session in the auditorium, San Antonio, Texas, beginning 9:00 a.m., Saturday, May 16, and closing at noon Wednesday, May 20.

II

Article III of the Constitution of the Southern Baptist Convention concerning messengers to the Convention is as follows:

"The Convention shall consist of messengers who are members of missionary Baptist churches co-operating with the Southern Baptist Convention on the basis of one messenger for every church contributing to the work of the Convention and one additional messenger for every \$250 actually paid to the work of the Convention during the calendar year preceding the annual meeting of the Convention, such messengers to be appointed to the Convention by the churches and certified by the churches to the Convention, provided no church shall be entitled to more than ten messengers."

III

For the convenience of churches and messengers, the Executive Committee of the Convention has prepared registration cards for the certification by churches of messengers. These cards may be secured from the secretary of your State Mission Board.

IV

For some years the railroads have not granted special reduced rates for conventions. The round-trip rates open to the public are on sale daily at all railroad ticket offices. It should be noticed that all railroad fares since February 10, 1942 have been increased 10%.

1819. She died in Jefferson County, and is buried on the plantation of Mrs. Samuel Bolls, two or three miles east of Fayette."

For other incidents in the life of Richard Curtis, and for sketches of William and Bailey Chaney, Mr. Harigail, Barton Hannah, John Hannah, and other preachers of this time, see "Mississippi Baptist Preachers," by the author of this chapter.

(References: Lowry and McCordle's "History of Miss.;" Riley's "History of Miss.;" Leavell and Bailey's "History of Miss. Baptists;" Jones' "Protestantism in Mississippi and the Southwest.")

What are "the lively oracles"? They were revelations or answers supposed to come from the gods. The communications to Moses at Sinai are called "the lively oracles"; while the Scriptures are termed "the oracles of God." See Acts 7:38, and Romans 3:2.

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Can you name the oldest known textile fibre? It is flax, and was woven into garments by the ancient Egyptians, and was swathed around their bodies after they were embalmed. The importance of the crop is mentioned in Exodus 9:31.

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SAD DEATH IN THE FAMILY OF PROFESSOR GAINES S. DOBBINS

A host of friends of Prof. Gaines S. Dobbins, of the faculty of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and his family, will sympathize with them in the recent death of their son, Riley Franklin Dobbins, on April 27 at his residence at 4317 Churchill Road, St. Matthews, Louisville, Ky. He was a control chemist for the B. F. Goodrich Rubber Company of Louisville.

There is a peculiar sadness in the death of this fine young husband in the fact that it came as a result of his being gassed in his work as a chemist in the hunt for synthetic rubber. The effect of the gasses was gradual, and its seriousness was not realized, but it was aggravated by the long hours through which Mr. Dobbins devoted himself to his work daily, and the resultant exhaustion. He had been working sixteen hours a day in the National Defense Program. Mr. Dobbins is as truly a war casualty as our boys who suffer in actual combat.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Dorothy Akers Dobbins, a ten-day-old son, Riley Franklin Dobbins, Jr.; his parents, and two brothers, Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins, Cumberland, Ky., and Austin Dobbins of Louisville. The remains were taken to Herbert C. Cralle Funeral Home on Frankfort Avenue. Funeral services were conducted there at 11:00 o'clock Wednesday, and burial took place in Cave Hill Cemetery.—Western Recorder.

and also that there is a 5% tax on both railroad and Pullman fares.

I have been informed by the chairman of the Southwestern Passenger Association that holders of "eastern and southern clergy certificates respectively may purchase round-trip clergy tickets from those territories to San Antonio without the necessity of obtaining a western certificate."

Persons planning to attend one or both of the conventions in San Antonio should consult their local ticket agent for up-to-date information in order to secure the type of transportation best suited to their needs.

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FOREIGN MISSION BOARD FACING A WORLD WHITE UNTO HARVEST
By J. D. Franks

The April meeting of our Foreign Mission Board was generally considered by the members as one of the very best we have had. It was outstanding in many ways.

Speaking to the new missionaries soon to be sent out, Dr. Maddry voiced the sense of the Board and interpreted its spirit when he said, "You are facing the greatest missionary opportunity Christians have had in two thousand years." The Board is convinced of the truth of that statement.

Always our meetings are definitely spiritual; but rarely has the Holy Spirit's presence been so manifestly witnessed as at this meeting. His voice was heard in the prayers of the members; His message was read in the letters from our missionaries; His guidance was sensed in the reports and recommendations of our secretaries; His presence felt in the testimonies of the new appointees of the Board, and in the beautiful spirit of co-operation, of earnest study, and of brotherly love as seen among the members. Surely, the Lord is guiding the destinies of our great foreign mission enterprise.

Stirred to the depths were our hearts as nine fine young people gave their experiences of conversion and of a definite call to foreign mission service. These were Miss Dorothy Elam, Ohio; Rev. Arthur Gilliland and Mrs. Martha Jordan Gilliland, M.D., Alabama; Miss Ruby Ethel Hayden, Texas; Miss Helen Meredith, Georgia; Rev. and Mrs. Thomas Lawton Neely, South Carolina, and John A. Parker, Mississippi. These are all well equipped by cultural and religious background, by educational training, by physical and temperamental fitness for the work to which they have been appointed.

John A. Parker is the only Mississippian in this group of new appointees. He is from Lucedale, and was educated at Ole Miss.

The educational committee of the Board, of which the writer is a member, is glad to report that the subscription list of THE COMMISSION has reached a total of 40,000 paid-up subscribers—not bad, we think, for a four-year-old baby. This committee recommended to the Board that an outstanding Southern Baptist writer be employed to write the history of Southern Baptists and foreign missions, which dates back far beyond the organization of the Southern Baptist Convention in 1845 and have it completed and ready for distribution by the centennial meeting of the Convention in Augusta, Ga., in 1945. The Board adopted the recommendation and this stupendous undertaking will soon be begun.

A far-sighted action of the Board calls for the appointment of a special committee to make careful survey of the world's post-war foreign missionary needs and be able to report their findings and make recommendations when the proper time comes. This Board will not be caught asleep at the switch when time for action in a post-war world comes.

The financial condition of our Board is encouraging. Receipts are increasing steadily. The debt is being reduced much in advance of our scheduled hopes a few years ago. The debt now stands at only \$138,000.00. By the end of 1943 we hope actually to be out of debt. What an epic of debt-paying management the Board has written since 1933, when the principal of its indebtedness stood at \$1,110,000.00!

The Lottie Moon Christmas offering of the W. M. U. will reach at least \$450,000.00 by the meeting of the Convention in San Antonio, establishing an all-time record.

The World Emergency Relief funds, which the Foreign Mission Board has

CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

Called and Accepted

James L. Pettit, Cutler Church, Du Quoin, Ill.
J. B. Pickern, Milner Church, Milner, Ga.
R. Clayton Pitts, Petersburg, Va.
J. Theo. Phillips, Sonoraville, Ga.
Jarrett D. Ragan, Albany, Ga.
John S. Rasco, Jacksonville, Fla.
Willard T. Red, Clio Church, Bennettsville, S. C.
C. H. Renfroe, Newington, Ga.
Homer B. Reynolds, Chaplain, United States Army.
J. Manley Reynolds, First, Bartlett, Texas.
J. W. Robinson, Olive Branch, Ky.
Bob G. Rochelle, Hodge, La.
J. B. Rodgers, St. Andrews, Fla.
H. C. Ross, Sturgis, Ky.
C. E. Ruffin, Broadway Field, N. C.
H. L. Scott, Farmville, Va.
R. W. Selman, Etowah, Tenn.
W. E. Siria, Pleasant Valley, Ky.
B. Frank Smith, Durant, Miss.
A. L. Speers, First, Ellington, Mo.
H. B. Speights, Silver Creek, Miss.
Otis Spriggs, Luhr, Okla.
K. M. Startup, Ben Station, Tenn.
Judson Stephenson, Madison, Ind.
C. R. Stevens, Four Mile Creek, Henrico County, Va.

Resigned

J. O. Morinan, Cleburne, Texas.
S. H. C. Morse, Bergen Church, Jersey City, N. J.
Marshall Nelms, Wrens, Ga.
R. C. Otey, Hebron, Ark.
U. K. Parego, Mangham, La.
Robert Peterson, Mill Creek, Anna, Ill.
J. L. Pettit, Steelville, Dowell, Ill.
J. Theo. Phillips, Middle Cherokee Association, Ga.
David A. Pitt, Central, Norwich, Conn.
R. C. Pitts, Irving and Claybrook, Va.
John S. Rasco, Hodgenville, Ky.
William T. Red, Lauren, S. C.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND B. T. U. ATTENDANCE

Louisville First	256	84
Wallerville	90	63
Olive Branch	69	35
Cross Roads (Webster)	71	
Springfield	95	37
Montevista	75	44
Marion		36
Sunflower	76	
Crystal Springs	349	86
West End-West Point	75	35
West Corinth	154	
Jackson First	880	254
Antioch	9	
Burnsville	27	21
Pascagoula Second	124	81
Calvary Jackson	971	239
Bear Creek (Attala)	71	29
Bethlehem (Choctaw)	5	
Griffith Jackson	661	248
Bethlehem (Jones)	68	61
Ellison Ridge (Winston)	106	65
Spanish Fort	32	
Highland Meridian	247	
Marion, May 3		29
Pascagoula Second	131	77
Gautier Mission	44	
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THE AWFUL WORK OF SATAN

The Russians claim there have been eight million people killed in Russia since the war started. If this is true, and if those men were piled in a row one on the other, side by side, four feet high, they would reach from Brookhaven to Memphis, or about 320 miles. And if this awful work of Satan keeps on one more year they would extend to Chicago.

The British and Americans claim there have been two million bombs dropped on Germany. If this is true, it would take one hundred thousand railroad cars to haul them, 20 tons to the car, a string of cars 566 miles long, a distance from Jackson to Memphis and back, and two hundred locomotives.

We are doing all we can to help in this awful war. Now what are we doing to help in the war against sin? Many of us are holding our hands and patting our feet. There are at least three things that we should do in this war against sin—Pray always—Give God His portion of our income—Go to the house of God regularly.

There is work for a Christian always—you don't have to look for work.

JOE WOODYEAR, Roxie, Miss.

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Wanted: The minutes of the following association: Benton, Chickasaw, George, Itawamba, Montgomery, Neshoba, Riverside, Wayne, Winston, Yazoo, Zion, Lawrence, Prentiss.

A MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY
WASHINGTON

May 1, 1942

TO THE CITIZENS OF AMERICA:

This month a new campaign for the sale of War Bonds and Savings Stamps is under way throughout the Nation. It is the War Bond Quota Campaign.

It is urgently necessary that you double the rate at which you are now buying War Bonds and Stamps. This will mean the sale direct to individual Americans of War Bonds and Stamps to the amount of not less than one billion dollars every month.

One billion dollars a month is the National quota. It is equal to one-tenth the combined incomes of all Americans.

This money is needed to buy the tools of war for your fighting forces. It will not pay for all of them. Our war expenditures now are at the rate of about FOUR BILLIONS a month, and they are growing daily. But a billion dollars a month direct from the people will make all-out production possible. Without it we cannot do our best; without it we cannot put forth our full effort.

It is desperately needed for another reason. We can't fight a war and at the same time live and spend as usual. There are not enough goods to go around—the things we buy with money. If we go on spending at the 1941 scale, we'll be robbing the fighting man to add to our own comfort or pleasure. We'll be driving up the cost of living for all of us. We'll be imposing dire hardships on our neighbors.

What is asked of you is ten per cent of your earnings—a tithe for Liberty. It is not a tax; it is not even a contribution; it is a loan at interest, for your use and protection later.

Your Government asks you to cut down your expenditures, TO SAVE—your boys on the firing line and in the training camps, through your Government, ask you to save so that they may have what they need to win YOUR WAR for you—America asks you to save; to SAVE TO WIN THE WAR; to buy War Bonds and Stamps up to not less than ten per cent of your income.

Is Liberty worth it? Is Democracy worth it? Is America worth it? I think I know your answer.

Sincerely,

H. Morgenthau Jr.



The above letter was sent to this newspaper by Secretary Morgenthau in Washington. We publish it in the interest of the War Bond Quota Campaign and earnestly recommend that all our readers do their share in the tremendous job ahead of financing the War effort.

been asked to administer are coming in steadily. However, we are far from the \$300,000.00 goal set. Let our churches which have not made their offerings to this cause do so now. The funds will be distributed according to the conditions set by the World Emergency Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, for the relief of the destitute millions in war-torn lands who are starving for physical food and for the bread of life.

One marvels at the almost infinite details that must be looked after in the offices of our Foreign Mission Board. In addition to the many problems, often very difficult and very delicate, which arise in connection with the promotion of our kingdom-building program in heathen and pagan lands, forcing us to deal with widely different peoples and conditions in widely separated areas of the world, there are the thousands of intimate personal matters that must be dealt with affecting the happiness and well-being of our missionaries and native workers and their families. Problems of transportation, communication, education, food, clothing, health, hospitalization, love, marriage, birth, death, sorrows, imprisonment, persecution, ambitions and sometimes discouragements, and many, many more, our faithful secretaries have to deal with daily. Thankful and fortunate are we as Southern Baptists that we have in Dr. Maddry and his associate secretaries, George Sadler, Everett Gill, Jr., and M. D. Rankin, able and level-headed men with big hearts who can meet the situations as they arise and handle them wisely.

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Books! Good Books! Coming to Help

The Broadman Press is giving us many good books. Every month one or more copies are released. Two things are true about this service of the Sunday School Board, they are rendering a service that is needed and also one that is appreciated for the books are bought and used by our preachers as well as others. Here are four that are now available at the Baptist Book Store: The Stewart Family. This book is especially prepared for boys and girls 9-12. It is a splendidly illustrated book giving good teaching on stewardship and tithing. Price 30c. Baptists Building in Brazil, is a new foreign mission book dealing with our work in South America. It is primarily for young people, but will be enjoyed by adults and Intermediates as well. Price 50c. Grit to Grapple with Life, is a book of sermons by Rev. Strother A. Campbell. The title of the book is one of the sermons, other sermons of as striking title and message. Splendid devotional reading for all. Price \$1.00. And here is one that all admirers of Dr. Scarborough of the Southwestern Seminary will want—Lee Rutland Scarborough, a short but inspiring biography by Dr. E. Dana. Dr. Dana's long and close association with Dr. Scarborough as a friend and co-worker makes him well qualified to write the life story of this great man. Price \$1.25. Any of these will make grand birthday or Christmas presents.

Jeff Davis Training Union Steps to Front

Director J. O. Boyd, reporting for the Jeff Davis Associational Training Union says, "More than 350 attended our last meeting. We were unable to seat the crowd. Nine churches were represented and the Training Union seems to be the best we ever had. More than thirty met in an after-session for a conference. The meeting was with the Prentiss church on Thursday night. Brother H. M. Harris of China was guest speaker. As a result of this good meeting four story hours have been organized, and we believe this is going to be our greatest year in Training Union." Mr. Boyd adds, "I expect to go to Ridgeway on the special bus July 24th." Thanks for this good report.

Pleasant Hill Church, Lincoln County, has elected to the office of Training Union director, Miss Carmen Cole. We are glad to add Miss Cole to our list of directors. We feel that every person entrusted with this important place in the church life should have the prayers and cooperation of all concerned. Miss Cole will have this from her church, we believe.

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Shady Grove, New Church In Bolivar, Organizes Union

Rev. Charles Sandifer, pastor of Shady Grove Church, a newly organized church in Bolivar County, announces their purpose to organize a Training Union with three unit organizations. This is a fine way for a church to begin, with the purpose of carrying out the full commission of the Lord, which includes the training of the members.

Leaf River Has Training School

Extension work continues to be a major emphasis in Covington County Associational Training Union. Mrs. C. C. Rogers, director, announces a splendid Training School at Leaf River with Rev. J. R. Rogers, Mr. Vernon Savell, Mrs. George Rogers and Mrs. Roanoke Keys doing the teaching. Brother Rogers brought a message each night and on the last night a dedication service was held with a large number re-dedicating their lives to the Lord's service. Special music was rendered on the last night by Miss Reve Stewart and Mr. Walton Stewart.

Mystery Wedding at Baptist Church Has Congregation Agog

Word that there was to be a wedding at the Baptist church at 20 minutes of 7 Sunday evening, accompanied by an invitation to attend, set the Baptist congregation to speculating, some definitely, as to the identity of the bride and groom and attracted an auditorium full.

The church was effectively decorated with burning tapers and artistically arranged chrysanthemums.

Appropriate music by Mrs. Hugh V. Wall at the organ and "Because," beautifully sung by Mr. Harvey preceded the announcement by C. H. Lipssey that the Training Union was being wedded that night to the Home.

The bride, in a filmy white dress and carrying a bridal bouquet, proved to be Mrs. D. B. Drane, representing the Union, and the groom, Mr. Drane, representing the Home. James H. Price gave the bride in marriage, and James Magee was best man.

Bridesmaids were Marjorie Magee, in blue taffeta; Anne Price, in white net over blue, and Virginia Byrne in coral taffeta. All carried pretty bouquets of small chrysanthemums.

Flower girls were Mary Ann Fisher, dressed in an orchid colored dress, and Janice Cain, in yellow.

Blonde Joylyn Jones in a ruffled blue silk dress, carried the ring in a tiny round bouquet.

Groomsmen were Ben Ed Cain, Jay Potter and Ralph Young.

Each member of the wedding party was impersonating some characteristic of the ideal training union, such as unity, patience, guidance, and the like.

Prayer concluded the pageant and the regular church service followed.

Miss Blake Nations directed the event, assisted by Mrs. Caby Byrne and Miss Norma Rae Jordan.

A BAPTIST DECLARATION

Submitted to the Social Service Commission at the Request of Dr. Pat M. Neff By James Houston Ivey, St. Joseph, Mo.

The hour in which we live calls for a statement of the great Baptist principles which we believe constitute the best expression of the true teachings of Jesus and New Testament Christianity. We live in a period that is characterized by more than change. It is a period of chaos. The whole world life, individually and collectively, is affected.

People have been subjected to the pressure of various philosophies and ideologies and new systems of thought, theories of government, cultural standards, racial relationships, economic orders, moral standards, established conventions, religious practices and even the attitudes of people toward religion are all alike being rapidly reduced to a liquid state in the world melting pot beneath the white heat of war. This has produced an era as crucial as that which faced our forefathers in Revolutionary days. They met that hour courageously and aggressively—read the history of our Baptist people! A new era is in the making. No one knows what that era will be but we desire it to be Christian and if it is to be Christian, it will take courageous statement and aggressive action by Christians now!

As Baptists we stand in the place of singular responsibility. The great principles in which we believe need re-emphasis and application in a clear cut manner to present problems and to the problems which we will inevitably face in post-war days. It is our duty to inform our Baptist constituency as Baptists what we believe is the Christian concept of our churches in both their relation to the state and their ministry to men; the kind of national and international government which is compatible with New Testament teachings; the kind of life and social order toward which the Christian gospel would direct our efforts; and the Christian doctrine which should guide the economic relations of mankind. If ever the world needed the principles of Christ exemplified in the democratic ideal of our churches, the ideal of brotherhood in social life, the foundation of stewardship in the economic world and a gospel which has at its heart the spiritual and personal regeneration of men, it is this hour in which we now live.

The people of our generation—Southern Baptists, the people of America and of the world need a comprehensive state-

ECHO FROM GETHSEMANE

Killed in action!
That is what it said.
Somewhere on a war-torn front
He is lying dead,
Dead in youth's beauty,
Killed in line of duty.

Why did he have to die?
Oh, Christ, again we rend the skies,
And an echo from old Gethsemane
Comes to soften our anguished cries.
God's will has been done;
Morning will bring the sun.

MIRIAM ADAIR DABBS,
Clarksdale, Mississippi.

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"The Last Best Hope of Earth," by Harry Scherman, and published by the Random House of New York, is a philosophy for the war, according to the publishers. Mr. Scherman states what he considers the underlying issues of the present war are, and what the peace must establish if periodic world-wide conflict is to end, and mankind realize "the last best hope of earth." The book sells for seventy-five cents.

ment of the Baptist position and the application of the truths we hold to these problems of our era.

Realizing that the stupendous undertaking and the problems involved necessitate a careful study if we are to make the kind of compelling challenge to men that our Baptist interpretation of the gospel affords, it is herewith suggested that a representative committee be raised from the various states represented in our constituency and that this committee be charged with the task of preparing a declaration which will take its place in line with the Confession of Faith by our British Baptists in the 17th century, the Philadelphia Confession and the New Hampshire Declaration of Faith. Furthermore, our Convention is asked to provide sufficient funds for this committee to properly carry out the task assigned. The declaration shall be publicized through our press and presented to the Convention in session in 1943 with adequate time provided for full discussion leading toward its adoption.

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GASOLINE ALLEY BY FRANK KING



Thursday, May 14, 1942

THE TITHING CORNER

THE TITHE IS THE LORD'S

When I got a vision of a lost world and realized its greatest need was the gospel of Christ, I rejoiced that the Lord had given me the privilege of having a part in His glorious enterprise, of sending His message of love and salvation unto the ends of the earth.

My Father has never entrusted into my hands so much of His goods that I'm tempted to withhold His tithes, nor has He given me so little that I just need it all for myself. He supplies all my needs and I'm happy in Him. It seems the more I return to Him the more He entrusts to me. It would give me joy through eternity if one day I could hear my Lord say, "Thou hast been faithful."

If all of God's people realized the preciousness of the gospel and its power to transform the lives of individuals and nations, surely we wouldn't be so slow in honoring the Lord with that which belongs to Him, but we would joyfully bring the tithes and offerings, with our prayers and interest, that this sin-cursed and dying world might know of a Saviour's love.

David said in the long ago, "I will not offer offering unto the Lord, my God of that which cost me nothing." Pardon me, I have a tenant, who sends me a Christmas card from his family, after he pays the rent. Sometimes I wonder if many Christians are not trying to satisfy the Lord and their conscience with Christmas cards when they haven't paid the tithe. "The Tithe is the Lord's." Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse and prove me now herewith—and all nations shall call ye blessed," sayeth the Lord. All nations are not calling us blessed.

Are we failing God as Israel of old did and are we being cursed with a curse? Is our Father pleased when millions and millions of dollars are being wasted and so little is used for His cause?

When Japan was visited by a terrible

Dr. G. E. Wiley of Grenada writes us as follows: "One night, at a quarter to twelve, a young man found Christ in the office of a consecrated dentist. It happened this way: The pastor had a tooth that was giving him considerable trouble. He mentioned it to one of his men, a deacon, who is a dentist. Let's go by the office and see what we can do about it," suggested the dentist. While I was in the waiting-room, the dentist's beautiful daughter, coming home from church, noticed a light in her father's office, and decided to investigate. (By the way, she is a wonderful Christian girl, a testimony in herself, for she won the beauty contest in her high school, despite the fact that she never smokes, drinks, pets, etc.). She brought with her a great big stalwart fellow, an athlete, senior high school student. The dentist and the pastor, overhearing our conversation in the waiting room, decided not to interrupt, but remained in the dentist's office to pray, while I helped the boy find Christ. He made a glorious profession of faith! So, you see, the Lord can even use a toothache to praise Him! Next night the boy

united with the church for baptism."

earthquake in 1923 and almost one hundred thousand lives were lost and thousands were left homeless and broken in body and spirit, the American people, through the Red Cross, sent ten million dollars to help the stricken people. It is said the Nippon's words were, "Japan will never forget"—yet how soon she did forget, but did not God's people forget that along with material aid Japan's greatest need was Christ? Oh! how we failed God and Japan.

Today America needs Christ as never before. May we realize that the tithe is the Lord's, and may we fortify our own land, and other lands, with the gospel. Let us turn from our wicked ways and honor God lest a greater calamity be visited upon us.

Ada M. Hardy, Byhalia

CHURCH CELEBRATES
CENTENNIAL OF SERVICE

Blue Mountain, Miss., May 8—The Academy Baptist Church in Tippah County will celebrate one hundred years of service May 16 and 17. The church was organized on "Saturday before the third Sunday in May," 1842. Charter members were: Nathan Harbin and wife, Elijah Thornton, Benjamin Collins and wife, Evelyn Hopkins, Martha Coleman, Ann Estes, Mary Hunt, John Hunt, and Elmer Kinkindal. Elders Daniel McKay and Green B. Waldrop acted as presbytery.

In August, 1842, the church petitioned for admission into the Chickasaw Association, and in November, 1844 called the Reverend Mr. Randolph as its first pastor to serve for the year 1845. Subsequent pastors were: Lee Compus, J. S. Maston, W. H. Holcome, A. H. Booth, Lewis Hall, James Boswell, General M. P. Lowrey, J. W. Johnson, G. W. Parris, W. E. Berry, S. V. Gullett, I. P. Randolph, and E. S. Hall. In January, 1868, the Rev. M. P. Lowrey was chosen state evangelist and was released by the church for that service. In June, 1869, General Lowrey was again elected pastor.

General Lowrey founded Blue Mountain College in 1873. While he was pastor of Academy Church, he had Dr. J. B. Gambrell, later of Southwide Baptist fame, to conduct a revival meeting for him. It was during this revival, while Dr. Gambrell and General Lowrey were seated beneath the old oak tree in front of the church that Blue Mountain College was conceived in the hearts of these two stalwarts of the faith.

Dr. Gambrell insisted that General Lowrey should found the college, but with equal force General Lowrey contended that Dr. Gambrell was the man to do it. After much meditation and prayer, however, it seemed evident that General Lowrey should establish Blue Mountain College. Dr. Gambrell later served Baptists nobly throughout the South.

In September, 1868, Academy Church petitioned for a letter of dismission from the Chickasaw Association in order to join the Tippah Association.

Brethren ordained to preach by Academy Church were: Jeff D. Anderson, Joe E. Rodgers, A. R. Marbry, Ralph R. White, David M. Gomball, Wilson B. McKinstry. The present membership of the church is 273 and Rev. E. S. Hall is pastor.

Some of the oldest members of Academy Church are: Mesdames Emma Apertson, Carrie Boyd, Eula Sanders, Mary Pernell, Ethel Gibson, W. H. McElroy, and Messrs. W. H. McElroy, J. W. Britt, Joel Carter, Charlie Guyton.

The centennial program will begin at 2 p. m., Saturday afternoon, May 16 with a sermon by Rev. E. S. Hall. The Rev. S. V. Gullett will preach Saturday evening, followed by talks by Dr. Lawrence T. Lowrey and William H. McElroy.

Sunday morning, May 17, at 10:15 Professor R. W. Griffith will recount Academy's history and Dr. W. C. Tyler will preach the sermon. The celebration will be closed Sunday afternoon with a sermon by Dr. J. P. Kirkland of New Albany.—From Academy Baptist Church, By Frank E. Skilton.

Recent visitors to The Baptist Record office include the following: Rev. R. A. Eddie, Clinton; Brother Harrell, Old Men's Home; Mrs. Ora Newton Gibson, Crystal Springs; Rev. Robert Martin, Bentonia; Dr. A. A. Kitchings, Clinton; Rev. C. J. Moulder, Morgan City; Miss Ethel McKeithen, Jackson; Dr. Otho Eure, Union Church; Rev. W. S. Landrum, Clinton.

Rev. James L. Sullivan of Clinton will preach for Dr. Claude Bowen at Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson, both morning and evening, on Sunday, May 17.

A FINE TRIBUTE
By Louis J. Bristow, Superintendent

One of the finest tributes ever paid a Christian institution by a secular paper appeared in the editorial columns of a New Orleans daily a week or so ago, commanding the Southern Baptist Hospital for its efforts in cooperating with the government in this defense area. We are building a 60-bed addition to the hospital, to do what we can to care for the families of more than 100,000 men who have come to New Orleans since December because of the war. It was in commenting upon this fact that the daily paper referred to our hospital in complimentary terms, and said friends of the hospital should see to it that the addition was made twice its contemplated capacity.

Rules of the Southern Baptist Convention do not permit us to go into debt beyond our ability to pay from current income, hence we are building within that limitation. We need all the help we can get. It will cost about \$200 to furnish a room. Here is a fine opportunity for individuals, Sunday Schools, men's classes, churches and others to do a patriotic act and make a splendid Christian contribution at the same time. I trust we may have all these rooms furnished.

LOUIS J. BRISTOW, Supt.
Southern Baptist Hospital,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

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COMMENCEMENT AT CLINTON

May 24 is Commencement Sunday at Clinton. The sermon before the combined graduating classes of Hillman and Mississippi College and Clinton high school is to be preached at 11:00 o'clock by Dr. John H. Buchanan of Birmingham.

The Hillman graduation is to be held at 5 o'clock that afternoon with Rev. A. B. Pierce of Crystal Springs as speaker. The Mississippi College graduation is to be held Monday afternoon, May 25th, at 5:00 o'clock. The baccalaureate address is to be delivered by Hon. W. W. Venable of Clarksdale.

Candidates for diplomas at Hillman are:

Ruby Nell Aldridge, St. Francisville, Louisiana; Rubie Mae Blackwell, Columbia; Carroll Catherine Bullock, Tylertown; Carolyn Caraway, Forest; Mary Audine Clark, Clinton; Cannie Marie Crane, Pascagoula; Alice Gene Gentry, Tallulah, Louisiana; Mary Emily Greenway, Silver Creek; Violet Eleanor Hitt, Vicksburg; Mary Kelly, Morton; Lyda Glynn Lee, Clinton; Natalie Elizabeth McBride, Clinton; Floris Seale McCandless, Lyon; Betty McGehee, Gulfport; Katherine Frances Neatherland, Clinton; Madge Cecile Sterling, Jackson; Allyne Marie Skinner, Lexington; Hazel Lorraine Williams, Gloster, and Eloise Wooten, Pittsboro.

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"THE FULNESS OF THE GOSPEL"

(Sermon delivered at Clinton, Miss., State Baptist Evangelistic Conference, March 23-26, 1942.)

Text: Romans 15:29.

In the fifteenth chapter of Romans, the 29th verse, the Apostle Paul is answering an urgent appeal from a small group of Christians for his presence in Rome. This group of Christians wanted more of the good news, more of the gospel of the Word. He told them he would come after certain other missions, and that when he did come, he would come "in the fulness of the blessing of the gospel of Christ." He would not come as an apostle of the new day, spirit-less, luke-warm in devoutness, doubtful of the plans of God, shorn of the glory that was his as a follower of the cross. He would come, indeed, fully clothed with the power of the Spirit to encourage, to foster, to suffer, to die if need be, for the establishment of the New Testament church in Rome.

Paul well recognized that it was not altogether the crucifixion nor the atonement that infected the world with the gospel of Christ. The resurrection, the crowning glory of the prophets, the living Christ, alive from the dead, was the power-driven impetus that hurled its challenge into the ranks of a pagan and suffering people.

It was no little task for Paul for the reason that his route to Rome from Spain was a meandering one. His sort was not popular and his standards of social convention were strange. Nevertheless, here was the former student of Gamaliel, an insignificant little Jew, endued to win in the new life with Christ, going in the way of the Savior to save souls, to spread the good news, to plead, beg, implore, urge the fulness of the blessings in Christ as glorified; the adequacy of that gospel as a whole.

How well we ought to know the history of that epochal soul-winning mission to Rome. How well ought we, here in this conference of soul-winning activities to understand the hardships, the sacrifices, the scare, the tears, the heart-passions of this greatest of all evangelists. Paul went to Rome unheralded by popular acclaim; he had no medals of honor upon his breast to indicate his military prowess; Christ was sufficient. He had no legal credentials or mandates as an emissary of a world power; Christ was sufficient. He was not to meet a man of international repute in the middle of the sea to proclaim a charter of hope for sinful nations; Christ was sufficient. He didn't go in a dive bomber or airliner equipped with lethal weapons of defense and destruction; Christ was sufficient. Paul knew in the light of God's infinite mercy 'the news he carried was that which was more powerful, more potent, more effective, more saving and more all-glorious than all the man-made devices, in a world lost in the law of sin. He knew that ecclesiastical compounds, ridiculous pomp, ceremonial elastics and make-believe salvation was not the true way of the cross;

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Whereas, The membership of Gloster Baptist Church constitutes the predominating power of said citizenry, and

Whereas, At this time there are certain worldly, sinful, ungodly and character-wrecking enterprises being established near the borders of our city which are destined to uproot the better principles of our young people and the morals, generally, of this town and section. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, the Gloster Baptist Church, in regular business session, do hereby and hereon publicly condemn any and all such practices, and the membership of said church hereby pledges its disapproval of said evil, and votes its scorn upon all such perpetrators either in ownership or patronage.

Resolved further, That these resolutions be published in our local papers and the state Baptist Record, Jackson, Miss., and a copy be furnished the sheriffs of Amite, Wilkinson and Franklin Counties.

Adopted, unanimously by the Gloster Galilee Baptist Church in regular session this 6th day of May, 1942.

Rev. E. L. Bullard, Moderator.
W. M. Hilburn, Church Clerk.

past life so much apart from the Cross. I've walked with sin in the gilded halls of your congress, your court rooms, your civic bodies, your fraternities, and I know that soul-winning for Christ in the fulness of the Gospel of Christ means full time operation free from minimum wage and hour limitations. When Paul said he would represent Christ in the fulness of the gospel, he simply meant he would represent Him unashamed, unsung, unafraid, unevasively, unabashed and determined almost to a point of personal peril. Why not? In the Christ of the Damascus road, Paul had found the Champion of right, extoller of truth, companion of sympathy, symbol of compassion, essence of love, Savior of the lost and life everlasting. In the covenant of New Testament faith he had found the agency of mercy, the citadel of charity, the corner-stone of faith, the fountain of purity and the altar of forgiveness—with this 'fulness' he had every reason to believe and work toward the proposition that "Christ is able to keep that which is committed unto Him against that day."

AUBERT DUNN,
Evangelist, Fort Worth, Texas.

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As you read this, you can add other things which your State Mission money does. God helps us all to do more in our great mission work and be good stewards of the Gospel of Christ and faithful to the people.

Sincerely yours,
E. D. ESTES, State Evangelist.

The Baptist Record has just learned of the home-going of the wife of Rev. W. T. Darling, who passed away at the Mayes Hospital in New Albany March 22.

**INTERDENOMINATIONAL
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a topic made urgent by war conditions. The ablest leaders in America: Dr. Robert Calhoun of Yale University; Dr. John Bennett of Pacific School of Theology; Dr. H. Paul Douglas of the Federal Council of Churches; Dr. W. J. Hutchins, former President of Berea College. Time: June 15-21. Location: Blue Ridge, North Carolina, fifteen miles East of Asheville, one of the beauty spots of America.

**WRITE DR. W. D. WEATHERFORD,
Blue Ridge, North Carolina**

Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary
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JOHN A. FARMER, Associate Secretary

Ridgecrest Buses

We plan to run some buses from Mississippi to Ridgecrest for Sunday School Week July 11-17. The total transportation cost for the round trip will be only \$7.50. The buses will be the all-steel body, and are very comfortable for making the trip.

We are especially eager to have a number of our pastors, general superintendents, other officers, teachers, and associational workers to go to Ridgecrest for Sunday School Week. Therefore, we urge that you write us just as early as you can to make reservation on one of these buses. It is a fine opportunity for many of our Sunday school people to attend the great summer Sunday school conference at a most reasonable cost.

The rates for room and meals while at Ridgecrest will vary from \$1.75 per day to about \$2.50 per day, mostly at not more than \$2.00 per day.

Sunday School Convention

Our Sunday School Convention was held in Brookhaven, April 28-29. It was a good convention from almost every angle. The total registration was around 700. All the conferences were well attended and the conference leaders were delighted at the excellent interest manifested on the part of those in attendance in the matter of wanting all the help possible to carry on in the most efficient way the various phases of Sunday school work. The conference leaders were splendid, and all of the speakers before the entire convention were at their best.

Mr. J. N. Barnette, of the Sunday School Board, was with us and we quote the following in a letter received from him after the convention: "The convention at Brookhaven was a great success. I believe greater interest was manifested in Sunday school work in this convention than perhaps in any other meeting it has been my privilege to attend in Mississippi."

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These Vacation Bible schools are for our boys and girls from 4 to 16 years of age. These are the people who in a few years will be the leaders in all phases of life in our country. What they are then will depend in large measure on what we do for them now. The home and the church are the only institutions that can give them the spiritual blessings that are so much needed by every one. The time for teaching them in Sunday school is too short to do for them what they need. The Vacation Bible school gives additional opportunity for teaching the Bible and also for giving them many helpful features, such as Bible stories, mission stories, songs, worship, handwork, notebook work, character stories, etc.

It is easy for a church to have a Vacation Bible school even the first time. Each department has its own book with the program for each day completely and thoroughly outlined for the teachers to follow. They do not have to plan each day's program but use the one given in the book. There is no department of our work that has any more completely arranged for the entire schedule than has the Vacation Bible school department. These books may be ordered from the Baptist Book Store, Jackson, Miss., at any time. The 1942 series is Beginner A, Primary B, Junior A, Intermediate A. Start planning now for your school. Set the time, get the teachers, get the books, and advertise the school. Let's give our boys and girls every hour of additional Bible study that we can while we have them at the time and place in life when we can give them this additional during the vacation time.

Standards

Brooksville, Rev. J. Niles Puckett, pastor, E. C. Halbert, superintendent, and Eighth Avenue, Meridian, Rev. E. F. Graeser, pastor, C. A. Bancroft, superintendent, are the latest schools to join the standard ranks for 1942. This is the first time that Brooksville has been standard since 1931, and the first time in the history of the church that Eighth Avenue, Meridian, has been on the standard list.

We are grateful to these pastors, superintendents and their fellow-workers on the fine work they have done in bringing their schools up to these requirements. We extend hearty congratulations.

The value of any standard program, whether class, department, or general, depends on what it costs to reach it. It takes time, thinking, planning, prayer, study, and lots of work to standardize any unit of the

GRADUATION SPEAKER



Rev. Alton B. Pierce, pastor of the Crystal Springs Baptist Church, who will deliver the baccalaureate address for Hillman College at Clinton, May 24th, at 5 p. m.

—BR—

ESCATAWPA—On Sunday, April 19, our church entertained twenty-two soldiers from Keesler Field. After a sermon by Rev. Windham, eleven members of our W. M. S. each invited two of the boys to their homes for dinner. We met at the church campus at three o'clock for a recreation program and refreshments. We are planning to invite more boys in the near future as everyone seems to enjoy having them. Most of the boys Sunday were from New York, with a few from New Jersey, one from Mississippi and one from Pennsylvania.—Reporter.

Dr. Dana, President of the Kansas Theological Seminary, sends greetings to Mississippi Baptists.

Dr. Glen Eric Wiley, pastor of First Baptist Church, Grenada, has just returned from Kansas City, Mo., where he preached in a meeting at the Centropolis Baptist Church, of which Rev. E. J. Morgan is the pastor. There were forty-five additions, the majority for baptism. Some of the conversions were outstanding. One was a renegade preacher, who never had been a Christian. He had just returned from South America, having left the ministry years ago. He was one of those mistaken men who consider the ministry a "profession." For the first time in his life he realized that salvation was purchased for us by Christ's death on the cross and that it is a free gift for believers.

work. These items that we have named represent some cost, and that means that we have had to put into the school some of the best we have. Many schools should check up on these same points and go to work definitely on reaching the ones now short. Application blanks will be gladly sent on request.

Trained Workers For Defense

Trained workers needed for the defense of the Gospel! We still have books to lend: "Intermediate Sunday School Work," and "The Art of Teaching Intermediates." Just a postal card, with the promise to read, write up the questions, and return them will bring one or both of these books. Folks, this thing of training is so important! It will solve your problems, and make your work easier. Let's become trained Master Workmen!

HISTORICALLY SPEAKING

We are grateful to those who are assisting us in completing our files of minutes of the associations in Mississippi. And we want to urge all moderators, clerks and other persons in the various associations to do all they can to complete their files, from year to year, as it is very difficult to find old minutes after the lapse of several years.

A very valuable contribution to the historical collection are the eleven volumes of the Bulletin of the Hazelhurst Baptist Church from 1930 to 1940 inclusive, during the pastorate of Dr. George P. White. This ought to stimulate other churches and pastors to do the same.

The following minutes of associations are needed:

DEER CREEK: 1914 to 1917, 1928, 1930, 1933, 1934, 1936, 1938 and 1939.

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GRENADA COUNTY: 1939, 1940 and 1941.

HOLMES COUNTY: 1931, 1934, 1938 and 1941.

If any one can furnish any of these associational minutes, forwarding them to me, he or she will be rendering a splendid service to the denomination.

In appreciation,

J. L. BOYD, Secty.-Treas.
527-41st Ave.

Meridian, Miss.

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Mrs. John W. Reid of Greenville, South Carolina has resigned her position as superintendent of women at the Baptist Bible Institute. Mrs. Reid is held in high esteem by the institute family and has been a blessing in many ways to the young women and to the work of the institute in New Orleans and the surrounding territory.—W. W. Hamilton.

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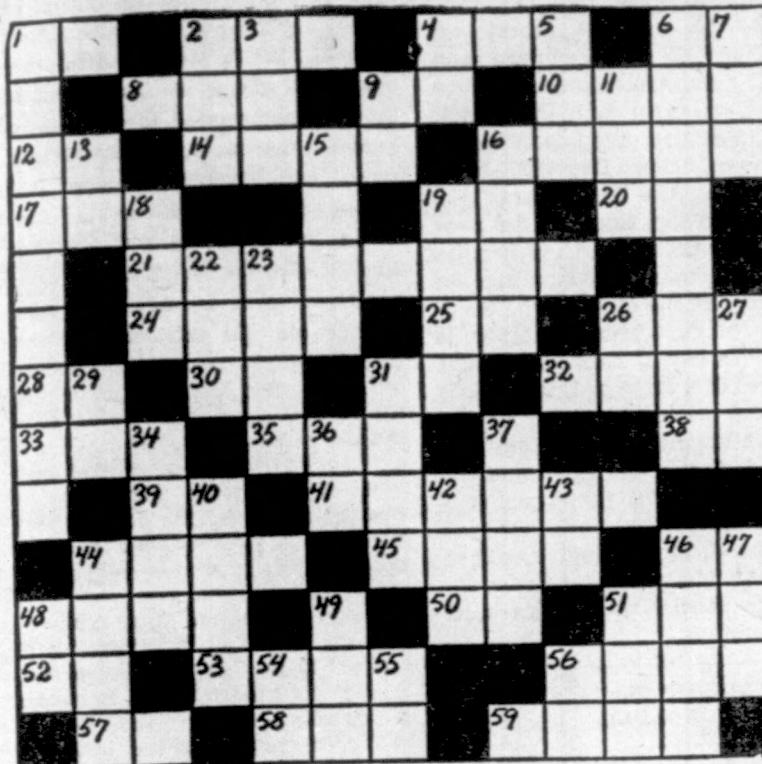
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WORK
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- 1 "What shall . . . do, that . . . might work the works of God," John 6:28.
- 2 "Labour not . . . the meat which perisheth," John 6:27.
- 4 "Call . . . labourers, and give them their hire," Matt. 20:8.
- 6 "he that doeth the will of my Father which is . . . heaven," Matt. 7:21.
- 8 "other . . . laboured, and ye are entered into their labours," John 4:38.
- 9 Opus.
- 10 Sea-eagle.
- 12 "I sent you to reap that whereon ye bestowed . . . labour," John 4:38.
- 14 "the night cometh when no man can . . ." John 9:4.
- 16 "that ye should go and bring forth . . ." John 15:16.
- 17 Almost deaf.
- 19 Transpose.
- 20 Equal.
- 21 "And, The . . . is worthy of his reward," I Tim. 5:18.
- 24 "Ye shall know . . . by their fruits," Matt. 7:16.
- 25 Namely.
- 26 Sister.
- 28 Fourth note in scale.
- 30 Lava (Hawaiian).
- 31 "Son, . . . work today in my vineyard," Matt. 21:28.
- 32 "Strive to enter in at the strait . . ." Luke 13:24.

33 Of the last month.

35 Railway station office.

38 "Come unto me, all . . . that labour, and are heavy laden," Matt. 11:28.

39 "The harvest truly . . . plenteous," Matt. 9:37.

41 "for the workman is . . . of his meat," Matt. 10:10.

44 "For every . . . is known by his own fruit," Luke 6:44.

45 "Well . . . thou good and faithful servant," Matt. 25:21.

46 "I must work the works of him that sent me, while . . . is day," John 9:4.

48 "But all their works they do for to be . . . of men," Matt. 23:5.

50 Tantalum.

51 "Why make ye this . . . and weep," Mark 5:39.

52 Hebrew deity.

53 "what . . . thou work," John 6:30.

56 "whosoever shall do the . . . of God," Mark 3:35.

57 "Pray ye therefore the Lord . . . the harvest," Matt. 9:38.

58 "reward every man according to . . . works," Matt. 16:27.

59 "went out early in the morning to . . . labourers into his vineyard," Matt. 20:1.

Out text is 2, 4, 21, 39, 41, 57, 58 and 59 combined.

VERTICAL

- 1 "and in thy name done many . . . works," Matt. 7:22.

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Touching the Bases

BY FRED R. LANGLEY
Director, Soldiers and Defense Projects Service

COLUMBUS, KAYE FIELD: The First Baptist Church served 1491 soldiers during the month of April through the worship and recreational programs. Miss Mildred Dodd, full-time hostess here is rendering a valuable service to the church and the base. She is a fine Christian character and does much personal work. Each Tuesday evening in the post chapel a religious service is held and Baptist churches and institutions in this area are cooperating with Dr. Franks. Recently, the Blue Mountain College group led by Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Riser, Jr., of the Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church conducted this service. Dr. Riser brought a message, "On The Cross." Mrs. Riser

2 "but the labourers are . . ." Matt. 9:37.

3 A city of Benjamin, I Chron. 8:12.

4 Township.

5 Ever (cont.).

6 "depart from me, ye that work . . ." Matt. 7:23.

7 "Cast the . . . on the right side of the ship," John 21:6.

9 All correct.

11 "ye tithe mint and . . . and all manner of herbs," Luke 11:42.

13 Whirlwind off the Faroe Islands.

15 "sit not down in the highest . . ." Luke 14:8.

16 "and the truth shall make you . . ." John 8:32.

18 Altitude.

19 Three in a group.

22 "opened their mouth wide against me, and said . . . our eye hath seen it," Ps. 35:21.

23 "Herein is my Father glorified, that ye . . . much fruit," John 15:8.

26 South America.

27 "that thy disciples also may . . . the works that thou doest," John 7:3.

29 Indian plant.

31 "every . . . tree bringeth forth . . . fruit," Matt. 7:17.

34 "bind the . . . of thine head upon thee," Ezek. 24:17.

36 Southwest.

37 Apparatus for heating a small quantity of water.

40 "that he will . . . forth labourers into his harvest," Matt. 9:38.

42 "but the name of the wicked shall . . ." Prov. 10:7.

43 ". . . that believeth on me, the works that I do shall . . . do also," John 14:12.

44 Combining form to signify termination.

46 "Why stand ye here all the day . . ." Matt. 20:6.

47 To take away, a law term.

48 Southeast.

49 Companion of the Star of India.

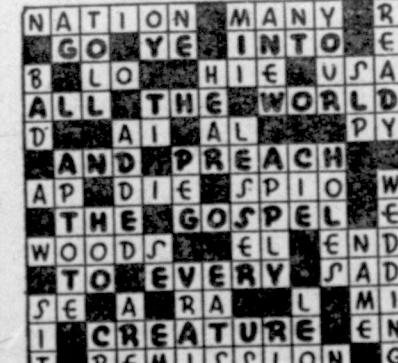
51 "and the birds of the . . . have nests," Matt. 8:20.

54 Exclamation of surprise.

55 Transport and supply.

56 West Indies.

ANSWER TO LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE



officiated at the console of the chapel organ. The young ladies, Misses Reid, Bates, Whitehurst and Sansing added inspiration to the service with gospel songs and by their presence.

MERIDIAN: At the present time, Key Field, United States Air Corps Base has three chaplains on duty, one Baptist, one Methodist and one Catholic. The Baptist chaplain is Lieutenant Beeby, assigned to the base after completing the army chaplain's course at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana. Prior to this he was pastor of the Memorial Baptist Church at Trenton, New Jersey.

CAMP SHELBY selectees are pouring in daily at a rapid rate it is said. Dr. Alfred Carpenter, superintendent of camp work for Southern Baptists thinks that the selectee is a man easily reached and touched by the gospel and that during this induction period and the one immediately following is a fine time for the chaplains, pastors and personal workers to contact and win him to Christ. ". . . even so must the Son of man be lifted up, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have eternal life." John 3:14-15.

KEESLER FIELD: Here the personnel is changing continuously. Young men come for training in aviation mechanics to the Air Corps Technical School. After this course has been completed, they are awarded the school diploma. Duty calls; the good soldier answers; to many, friends, and to some, church relations made while in training are left behind. Quite a few of these young men have been won to Christ during their stay here.

SUGAR RATIONING: Recently we were invited into a Jackson home for supper with Rev. I. F. Metts, pastor, Northside Baptist Church and Rev. A. B. Pierce, pastor of the Crystal Springs Baptist church. After thanks were offered, all were seated around a table where the "chief piece of resistance" was golden brown fried chicken and all the trimmings. The host was the type who usually pulls his joke, and he jokingly asked the ministers invited if they had brought along their portion of sugar. Both pastors reached in a coat pocket and brought out a well wrapped portion of granulated sugar. Visualize the look on the host's face and the laughter around this table. Proving that Baptist pastors in Mississippi are on the alert, and are ready for every emergency, even if it is sugar rationing.

The navy needs field glasses and makes the request that those possessing same (6x30 or 7x50) Zeiss or Bausch and Lomb, glasses lend these for the duration. 51,217 pair were borrowed and registered during the last war and only one pair was reported lost.

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Rev. R. A. Eddleman of Clinton has been called as pastor at Learned in Hinds county and Red Lick in Jefferson county.

Second Baptist Church at Pascagoula has just experienced a gracious meeting, with Rev. W. G. Waits of Glenn Addi church, Anniston, Ala., as the visiting preacher. There were thirty-four additions.—J. L. Morgan, pastor.

CARROLLTON: Our revival begins May 17, with W. T. Mims, of Haleyville, Ala., doing the preaching.—C. S. Thomas.

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News & Truths About Home Missions

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City Missions Extended as Offerings Increase

Inauguration of city mission work in the nation's capital and in Birmingham was authorized May 7 by the Home Mission Board, Dr. J. B. Lawrence, executive secretary-treasurer, has announced.

Rev. M. C. Stith, pastor of Brookland Baptist Church in Washington, was named to be city superintendent for the Board in that city. Dr. A. H. Reid, vice president of Howard College in Birmingham, was appointed superintendent of city missions for the Alabama city.

Brother Stith and Dr. Reid will work with the Baptists of Washington and Birmingham in a program designed to enlist the Baptists and unchurched thousands in these metropolitan areas.

Sixteen other missionaries were named by the Board, including thirteen students of Baptist Bible Institute in New Orleans, who were appointed as temporary workers during the summer. Named for permanent work were Miss Ruby Sentifit, New Orleans; Rev. Frank Ramirez, Houston; and Mrs. A. Lopez, Harlingen, Texas.

A debt reduction of \$110,000 has brought the Board's obligations to the low figure of \$385,000, Dr. Lawrence stated. Total payments since January 1 have been \$165,000.

Receipts for April, the treasurer reported, was \$162,064.66, an increase of \$33,107.38, or 26% over the same month last year. Included in the April total was an amount of \$104,060.12, given by the Woman's Missionary Union in its March offering for Home Missions. This offering, which is still incomplete, represents an increase of \$17,932.40 over receipts from the same source for the same month last year.

The first four months of 1942 have brought receipts of \$279,859.02, as compared with \$217,366.79 last year for the same four months, or an increase of \$62,492.23.

The Hundred Thousand Club yielded \$40,819.07 the first four months of this year, compared with \$23,730.61 last year, an increase of \$17,088.46, or more than 70% increase. The total offerings through this fund received by the Home Mission Board the first four months of this year amounted to nearly half the total the Board received from the Hundred Thousand Club during the entire year of 1941.

Two Home Board Projects Dedicated The Same Day

By J. W. Beagle

It was the writer's happy privilege to bring the message at the dedicatory service of the beautiful new chapel at Jeanerette, Louisiana, at the eleven o'clock hour on May 3rd.

Missionary A. D. Maddry and his faithful co-laborers on this field had everything well arranged—the building completed and furnished, an attractive program, and they expressed

their deep gratitude to the Home Mission Board and the W. M. U. of the South for making this church possible. These expressions were given by Pastor Maddry and all present in a very impressive manner, yet it is but just to add that this faithful band of believers in Christ on this mission field provided more than one-fifth of the cost of this building.

At the evening hour of the same day, we had another joyous experience in being privileged to speak at the dedicatory service of the new educational plant at Morgan City, Louisiana, where Brother Carl Conrad and his wife are rendering such faithful service in bringing in the Lord's kingdom on this very important mission field. On the first Sunday in May, 1939, the chapel building was opened for service, but this building soon proved to be inadequate for their services, so another appeal came to the board for adequate space in which to carry on their work.

As this mission point became self-supporting with the beginning of Brother Conrad's ministry, the Board felt they were deserving of further aid and the W. M. U. of the South in their Over-and-Above of the Annie Armstrong offering for 1941, made this beautiful educational plant possible.

Carrying Christ to the Beet Fields

By Miss Pauline Cammack,

New Mexico

A large Spanish family group, including seven Christians, who were led to Christ through our Spanish mission here, recently moved to Colorado to work in the beet fields. The father in this family was formerly a Penitente, but since becoming a Christian he has been active in telling his friends and fellow-workmen the good news about his Saviour. It is our prayer that he will be a faithful witness for Christ in their new community and among his fellow-workers in the beet fields.

Eight Nationalities Demonstrate Christian Americanism

By Helen Lambert, Home Missionary,
East St. Louis

Eight nationalities participated in the recent State W. M. U. Convention in Illinois, in a demonstration of Christian Americanism. A group of twenty-four products of Home Mission work were representatives of these nationalities: Hungarian, Bulgarian, Macedonian, Slav, Czech, Armenian, Mexican and American.

As our pianist played "The Light of the World is Jesus," the men, women and children marched to the platform and stood by the American and Christian flags. Each person carried a poster telling where he was saved. The posters were white, lettered in blue, and the word "saved" was in red. Some were saved at preaching service; some at Sunday school; some at Vacation Bible school; a few at prayer meeting, and several in their homes. Boys and girls of the group

carried posters with John 3:16, Ps. 43:3, Matt. 28:19-20, and Deut. 10:19 lettered on them.

Then a Mexican boy came out with the poster, "We are ALL Americans. We love America," and the group sang "America." An Armenian boy came to the platform next with the poster, "We are Christians. We Love Christ." And they sang, "Every Day With Jesus is Sweeter Than the Day Before."

An Armenian girl thanked the people present for their part in giving the Gospel to the many nationalities in Granite City. At the close of the demonstration a girl whose mother is Czech and father a Mexican, joined the group with a large red, white and blue V. She voiced the desire of the different nationalities who attend the Mission, to help give the Light and the Truth to others and then quoted I Cor. 15:57—"Thanks be to God which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." The group left the platform as the pianist played "Onward Christian soldiers."

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FELLOWSHIP CENTER IN HONOLULU

"The other day, two sailors came up. We had not met them before, but they were hardly in the room before one of them seized our only song book and began to look through it for a hymn. Finally he asked if we could sing 'Living for Jesus,' and 'There's Within My Heart a Melody, Jesus Whispers Sweet and Low.' We discovered that both of the boys were Baptists, one from New York State and one from California. Their boat was here only for a short time, but they said when they got back they would come again to see us."

A REFUGEE FROM JAVA

By Louis J. Bristow, Superintendent Southern Baptist Hospital, New Orleans

The rescue ship threaded the infested waters about Java, ran the gauntlet of enemy airplanes, crossed the broad ocean, passed through the canal, reached the mouth of the Mississippi river, and docked at New Orleans. Among the refugees was a beautiful young Dutch woman whose husband is an officer in the Dutch navy, now fighting Japanese in Asiatic seas. Like other refugees on this ship, she had escaped with no personal effects—only a little son. And, like Mary on her memorable trip to Bethlehem, "her time was near." But the rescue ship docked at a friendly port, and Mr. Jordan, general manager of the steamship line, phoned me, asking for Christian charity for the woman, saying we had never failed him. So soon this poor foreign woman was safe in the Southern Baptist Hospital.

Last night the new babe came—a boy. Mrs. Bristow and I visited this Dutch refugee today and assured her she is among Christian friends. Her older son had been taken to the home of a friend, and upon hearing of the advent of the new baby sent his mother a telegraphic message, written probably by that friend. In great joy the young mother showed it to us. It read, "Thanks for my little brother."

Isn't it a fine thing for a war refugee from a distant land to find refuge among Christian people? This gentle young woman appreciates the practical Christianity of which she is beneficiary: and she tearfully, laughingly expresses her joy. She is a cultured, refined person, without means among strangers. She is a guest of Southern Baptists. And we need a contribution to pay for her cost.

(By the way, we need girls for our August class of student nurses.)

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